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## EDEN DENIES SECRET AGREEMENTS

### LLOYD GEORGE'S SUSPICIONS

### IMPERIALIST DEAL FLATLY DENIED

### PEACE NEGOTIATIONS REVIEWED

London, Oct. 23.

Intimating his suspicion that something in the manner of a secret diplomatic arrangement had apparently altered the European situation during the past few days, and inquiring as to what this might have been, Mr. David Lloyd George, former Prime Minister, addressed the House of Commons in a continuation of the Foreign Affairs Debate to-day.

Sir Samuel Hoare, the Foreign Secretary, had left some vital things unsaid, said Mr. Lloyd George, and the position was in many ways completely obscure. He asked for specific information regarding the Franco-Italian agreement of January last and of the commitments at the Stresa Conference.

He declared that between January and September, France had sent to Italy 478 tons of distillation coal, which was practically TNT, and also 697 tons of glycerine for great guns.

Finally he asserted that undoubtedly something had happened during the past few days. He asked whether Great Britain had promised to withdraw her fleet from the Mediterranean.

#### EDEN MAKES REPLY

Mr. Anthony Eden, the Minister for League of Nations Affairs, who has been conducting Britain's diplomatic campaign at Geneva, replied, asserting vigorously:

"I have absolutely nothing to hide. The report of the Geneva Committee under Article XVI (of the Covenant) represents the only negotiations there have been."

With regard to the query as to whether Britain were committed to compensation of any other states, Mr. Eden answered: "We are committed thereby by the League Covenant."

He proceeded to recite the history of the diplomatic activities since December, with the object of rebutting the charge of dilatoriness.

He alluded to the representations between January and March, one of which was made to Signor Mussolini personally.

#### ITALY'S PROMISE

Towards the end of March, he related, Italy had given assurance that she would proceed with the negotiations for peace as rapidly as possible, as she was anxious to apply the principles of Geneva in a spirit of moderation and peace.

He reviewed proceedings up to the time of his visit to Rome with proposals for a settlement, and expressed regret that this occasion, like very many others in which Britain had made efforts to find a solid basis for negotiations, was unsuccessful.

In detail, Mr. Eden went through the month-by-month negotiations, "Each time the negotiations failed through the Italian refusal to accept even a basis of discussion," he said.

#### HAGUE CONVENTION

As to the application of the Hague Convention regarding Italian warships and auxiliaries in British ports, Mr. Eden declared that to do less would be to treat a breaker of the League Covenant as if no breach had occurred.

Answering the Government's critics, he said that the Sino-Japanese episode in Manchuria was a false analogy with the present situation in Ethiopia.

Japan had not been declared an aggressor by the League; the dispute did not at any stage result in a resort to war by either

### REMOVING LIBYA DIVISION

### ITALY ACTS UPON ASSURANCES

### GESTURE OF GOOD-WILL

Paris, Oct. 23.

Italy will inform M. Pierre Laval, the French Prime Minister, that she is ready to withdraw one of her three divisions from Libya.

—*Reuter.*

#### ALREADY MOVED?

The Foreign Affairs Committee of the Chamber of Deputies has announced that Italy has withdrawn one of three divisions of troops which she had stationed in Libya.

—*United Press.*

#### BRITAIN UNDECEIVED

London, Oct. 23. It is understood that the British response to the Italian decision to withdraw troops from Libya has not yet been decided upon. It is pointed out that Italy will still have two fighting divisions in Libya.

Meanwhile, in London opinion is contrary to the suggestion that the Italian decision is unconditional.

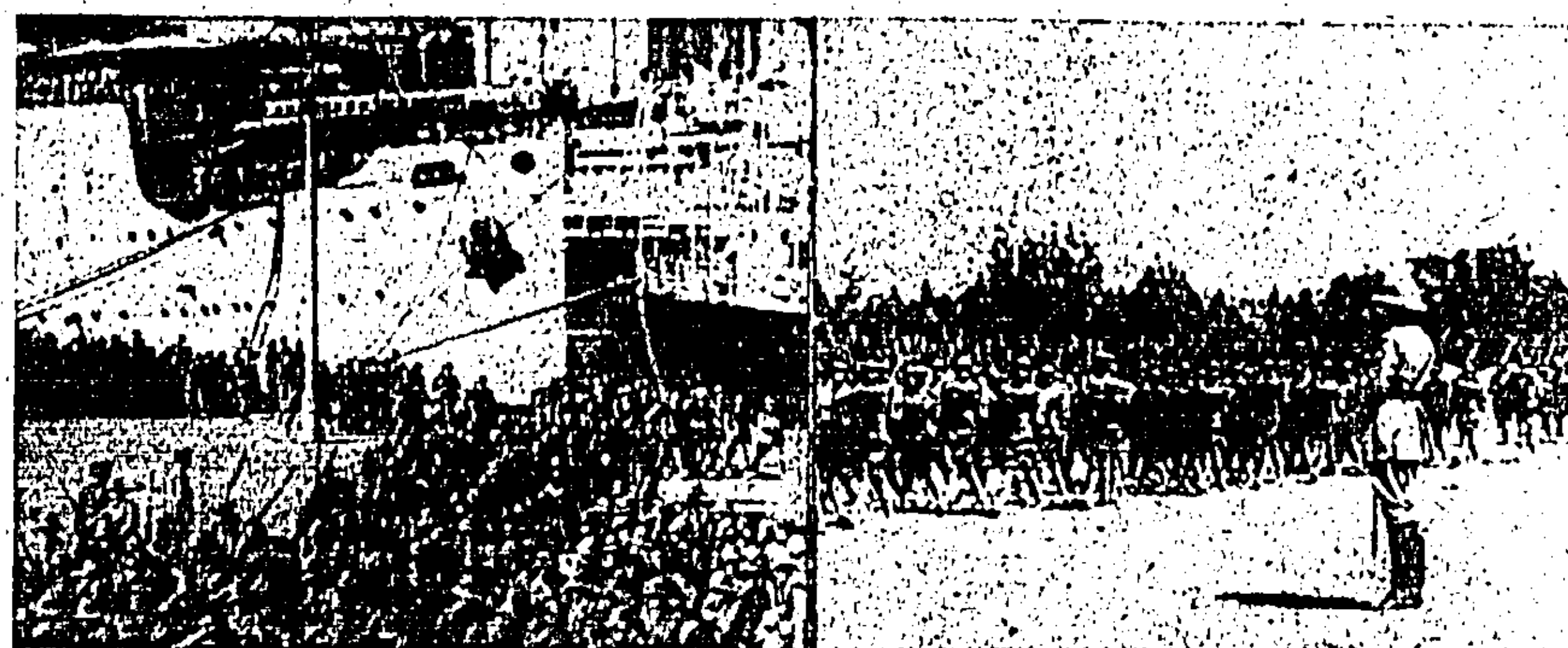
*Reuter* has learned from an "authoritative spokesman" in Rome that if the report that Britain has ordered the withdrawal of two battalions from the Mediterranean is confirmed Italy might withdraw part of her forces from Libya.

It is understood there was no request for a reciprocal gesture from Britain, however, and that the Italian order for the withdrawal of a division from Libya was due to improved Anglo-Italian relations, resulting from Sir Samuel Hoare's speech in the House of Commons yesterday and Sir Eric Drummond's assurances to Signor Mussolini.

#### ORDER GIVEN

London, Oct. 23. The Foreign Office announces that the Italian Government has

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Italian and Ethiopian troops have concentrated on two fronts and a battle is reportedly raging in the south, along the Webb Shiheli River valley. Above, left the Italian soldiers are pictured landing in East Africa on their way to the fighting lines, and right, Ethiopians are marching up to the front, in charge of foreign officers.

### BALDWIN EXPECTS VICTORY

### FEELS GOVERNMENT PERFECTLY SAFE

### MANIFESTOES PREPARING

London, Oct. 23.

On the resumption of the foreign affairs debate in the House of Commons this afternoon, Mr. Stanley Baldwin, the Prime Minister, announced that the General Election would take place on November 14, the new Parliament would assemble on November 26 for the election of a Speaker, and the State-opening of Parliament would take place on December 3.

Mr. Baldwin, in defending a Dissolution, thought it would be perfectly safe for the Government to have an election soon, but he could not say the same if the election were postponed until next January.

Prior to the Commons debate, the Cabinet met this morning and it is understood to have discussed the election statement to be made later by the Premier in the House.

Election manifestoes are being issued this week-end by Mr. Baldwin for the National Conservatives, by Sir John Simon for the National Liberals, and by Mr. Ramsay MacDonald for the National Labourites.

To-day's meeting of the Cabinet lasted two hours. It will probably be the last under the present Parliament, though the Cabinet will be responsible for the government of the country until the new Parliament is elected.

—*Reuter.*

### Confidence In America

### ROOSEVELT GIVES WORD OF HOPE

Charleston, Oct. 23.

Confidence in America's recovery was expressed by President Roosevelt, speaking in this South Carolina town to-day.

He was given an enthusiastic reception on landing at the conclusion of his holiday cruise aboard the U.S.S. Houston.

He delivered short speech about conditions in the United States.

"We are on the way back, not just by pure chance, but just by the turn of the cycle. We are coming back sounder than ever before, because we have planned that way. Don't let anyone tell you differently."

"There are many problems still ahead," he added. "I shall make it my great and earnest effort to keep the country free and unentangled with any great war that may occur in countries across the sea." —*Reuter.*

### HONGKONG DOLLAR SLUMPS

### DESPITE STEADY SILVER PRICE

### SHANGHAI IN TURMOIL

Despite the fact that silver prices were unchanged in London yesterday, the Hongkong dollar dropped no less than 3/8ths this morning, the official quotation on opening being 1s. 11 3/8d. There has been a decline of 5/8ths since Monday.

The fall is largely attributed to weakness of exchange in Shanghai, to-day's rate being 1s. 4 1/2d., which represents a drop of twopence in the past fortnight.

The local market is somewhat demoralised, rates being nominal, being quoted at 1s. 11 1/2d. and 1s.

### BUBONIC PLAGUE RAVAGES

### Thousands Perish In Hotien

Nanking, Oct. 24.

Thousands of people are reported to have perished as the result of an outbreak of bubonic plague in the Hotien area of Southern Sinkiang.

The Government has ordered the despatch of a medical unit to Sinkiang, while the medical assistance which has been arranged by the Soviet will be withdrawn as soon as the Chinese medical party arrives.

—*Reuter.*

### SHANGHAI PANIC

Shanghai, Oct. 24. Rates on the foreign exchange market are purely nominal this morning at the opening.

There was a panic on the gold bar market on unconfirmed rumours that the Government was nationalising silver.

U.S. dollars were 33%, Sterling 1/4-5/16, Gold Bars \$1,028.00.

The foreign exchange market was chaotic at 9.45 a.m. There is a considerable spread between dollar and sterling rates on successive transactions.

U.S. dollars are 33%, Sterling 1/4-5/16, and Gold Bars \$1,027.30.

—*United Press.*

### FIRE ON ALTADENA BORDERS

### FIERCE FOREST BLAZE

### ONE KILLED ALREADY

Los Angeles, Oct. 23.

Two thousand men are battling here with one of the most destructive forest fires to have occurred in Southern California for years.

The fire broke out on the slopes of Mount Wilson and so far it has caused one death, while scores of people have been overcome by the smoke and heat. Thirty houses, a sanatorium and a scenic railway on the mountain have been destroyed.

The local authorities have appealed to San Francisco for assistance, and a number of fire-fighting experts have been rushed to the spot to combat the flames, which are being fanned by a 50-mile an hour gale and are steadily eating into the fashionable district of Altadena.

—*Reuter.*

#### 250 HOSPITAL CASES

Los Angeles, Oct. 23. Fires which are licking through the foothills on a 75-miles are surrounding Los Angeles are still not under control after destroying 100 houses and causing 250 people to be sent to hospital.

A 57-mile-an-hour wind has snapped numerous power lines starting eight separate blazes and sending the flames roaring through the grass like tinder, due to the recent heat wave.

Rescuers are fighting through the blackened area attempting to reach 47 convicts who are cut off in a corral at a canyon road camp.

#### MOVIE STARS IN DANGER

In Altadena, the blaze has been got under control, but the flames have swept the Latic, Decker, Sequit and Tujunga canyons and devastated a bench at one spot, destroying the resort homes at the Pacific edge.

At Malibu Beach, the fashionable movie colony awaits an order to evacuate. The residents include Constance and Joan Bennett, Raquel Torres, Edmund Lowe, Louise Fazenda, Corinne Griffith, Neil Hamilton and Richard Barthelmess.

—*United Press.*

### Famous Jockey Arrested

### FACING CHARGE OF MURDER

Louisville, Ky., Oct. 23.

United States turf circles were in the grip of a sensation to-day following the arrest of America's star jockey, Willie "Smoky" Saunders, winner of the Kentucky Derby this year, and the charging of the young rider with murder.

He is charged in connection with the death of Mrs. Evelyn Silwinski, whose body, badly beaten and apparently run over by a motor car, was found on the road near here on Sunday after a party at which she was present.

—*Reuter.*

### HEAVY FIGHTING IN PROGRESS

### PITCHED BATTLE IN PROSPECT

### GORAHAI MUST BE HELD ETHIOPIANS TOLD

Addis Ababa, Oct. 23.

A heavy engagement between troops commanded by Ras Desta, on the right wing of the Webb Shiheli River front, and a strong Italian force, has commenced, according to unconfirmable reports reaching here.

Gorahai must be held at all costs, is the order sent to Ras Desta, who will in all probability throw his army into the first pitched battle of the campaign.

Ras Desta must defend a line from Gorahai to Jijiga, in which he has 300,000 men, lacking modern arms and equipment. With these he must contend with a force of some 140,000 Italians, who are supported by heavy artillery, tanks and aircraft.

The Italians are native troops for the most part.

Gorahai is strategically important. It is essential that the Italians capture the place, for its possession will remove most of the horrors of the long-drawn campaign through the waterless Ogaden plain.

### SANCTIONS EFFECTS DELAYED

### NO REACTION FOR WHOLE YEAR?

### DISCLOSURE IN LORDS

London, Oct. 23.

It will likely be some months before the effect of the League's economic sanctions begin to be felt, said Lord Stanhope, speaking at the resumption of the foreign affairs debate in the House of Lords to-day.

But, he continued, if it takes some months it will come almost simultaneously with the disillusionment of Italy, when she realises what she has undertaken.

"Probably by this time next year we may have found proposals for a settlement, though I hope they will come earlier," he said.

Lord Stanhope argued from this the desirability of an immediate election in Great Britain to ensure that the country would have a strong and established Government to deal with the problem to be settled.

TAKE TOO LONG  
Lord Lothian said he hoped that economic sanctions against Italy would suffice, but confessed he was horrified at the lightness with which Lord Stanhope said that the Government did not contemplate any appreciable effect from the League penalties until next year.

"Are we going to wait three, six or even twelve months doing nothing but inflicting on the Italian people economic sanctions?"

"Peace must be restored by the year's end to prevent a worse catastrophe. The League must face the present conditions and produce real disarmament," declared Lord Lothian.

The possibility of a League of Nations administration in Ethiopia was envisaged by Baron Noel-Buxton: "We shall have to face the establishment of a vague colonial service if Italy's annexation of Ethiopia is to be avoided," he said.

DOOR NOT CLOSED  
Rome, Oct. 23. The fact that diplomatic negotiations are proceeding shows that

the doors are not closed. Therefore there is ground for optimism.

But optimism should be tempered by the fact that the conversations have not come down to concrete facts, as far as the Ethiopian dispute is concerned, stated an authoritative spokesman to-day.

#### JOINING EMBARGO

Geneva, Oct. 23.

The Little Entente, Rumania, Yugo-Slavia and Czechoslovakia, informed the League of Nations to-day that they were applying the arms embargo against Italy.

Twenty-five states are now applying the arms embargo against Italy, and five have suspended diplomatic relations.

—*Reuter.*

### U. S. Delegate Selected

### ADMIRAL STANDLEY GOES TO LONDON

Washington, Oct. 23.

Admiral William H. Standley, United States Chief of Naval Operations, will represent his country at the projected Naval Conference in London, according to an announcement made by Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State.

Mr. Hull expressed the opinion that the Conference should be confined solely to a consideration of naval problems, and not include economic questions.

Questioned with regard to the Japanese desire for naval expansion, Mr. Hull reiterated his belief in the provisions of the London naval agreement, and declared that personally, he thought the 5-5-5 ratio quite right.

—*Reuter.*



## R101 CRASH RECALLED.

## DISASTER NEED NOT HAVE OCCURRED

## Capt. Macmillan Tells How It Might Have Been Averted

ON an October Sunday five years ago the world was appalled to learn that the British airship R 101 had crashed in flames in France with the loss of 48 lives.

Now for the first time the story is told of doubts during the last few hours before the airship was due to leave Cardington for India—the story of Sir W. Sothon Brancey, the Director of Civil Aviation, of whom it is declared:

"If the decision had rested with him whether the R 101 should have left, the disaster might have been averted."

The full story is told in a book "Sothon Brancey" by Captain Norman Macmillan, president of the National League of Air-

men.

Capt. Macmillan tells a vivid story of the R 101 disaster.

Can it be said that Brancey started off confident in the success of the Enterprise? I do not think it can.

To be confident in an airship which does not mean that one is confident in a particular ship conditions and there is every starting out under particular conditions to believe that Brancey was a competent judge of the worth of a particular ship.

There are things which he left behind private letters which show that Brancey was doubtful if the R 101 would start for India according to programme.

Ordinarily Brancey was vivacious. He did not bet on horses in his own, or in his hands by the flapping of objects. Some time after his death, Lord Canning, day S. Deacon, R.N. (retired), then aerodrome officer in charge at Lympne, told me he had to call on Brancey at his office on the morning of October 4 before he went down to Cardington.

He knew Brancey well, and had never seen him nervous before. But that morning he was fidgety; he fingered the ornaments on the mantelpiece. His manner was noticeably different.

## Not Satisfied

Brancey knew that everything had not been right with the ship. His letters prove it. He evidently saw the writing on the wall and knew that the future had suddenly turned void. Mentally he was numbed and could not recover his vision.

Yet stoical, soldier to the last, he went on to Cardington. Surely the ship would not start? But it did, and he was in it when it went.

What was the trouble with the ship? The structure was all right. That was proved. But the gas bags had been chafing. It had been reported. Brancey must have known. Probably Thomson also.

This is Captain Macmillan's conclusion: "No one was to blame. No one ever is in such a case, for the final decision rests with those who go on board, and of them the senior man has the last word. "Had Brancey been that man the disaster might have been averted."

## HAUPTMANN WRITES AUTOBIOGRAPHY

Trenton, Oct. 18.

While waiting in the death-house of the gall here, Bruno Richard Hauptmann has written "The Story of my Life," an autobiography. The prison board voted to withhold permission to publish this work until the Court of Error and Appeals made its decision as to whether Hauptmann would be

## EVEN A FISHERMAN COULDN'T HEAT THIS

New York, Oct. 18. — Fishermen take of two or three fish on one hook were vied at here by the feet of two devotees who caught seven pockets working on one man!

The man was asleep on a subway station bench. The devotees watched him three hours, caught seven men with their hands in his pockets, and then had to shake him vigorously to wake him. United Press.

## TO CHINA VIA THE ARCTIC

## RUSSIA'S PLANS TO EXPLOIT OLD N.E. PASSAGE

Moscow, Oct. 10. — AFTER defying the efforts of the explorers of all nations for the past 500 years, the North-East Passage—the Arctic Sea route from the Far East to Europe—is at last proved to be safe for regular commercial traffic.

Such is the claim advanced by the Government of Soviet Russia; following the successful voyages by four ordinary freighters, two plying from Vladivostok to the Murmansk and two in the opposite direction.

Russia's Northern Sea Route Administration, headed by the explorer Professor Otto Schmidt, is vigorously developing its plans to extend the navigation period beyond the two midsummer months to which it is so far limited.

Stronger icebreakers are to be stationed along the northern coasts of Europe and Asia and the Kremlin expects soon to develop the Arctic route as a commercial proposition on an immense scale.

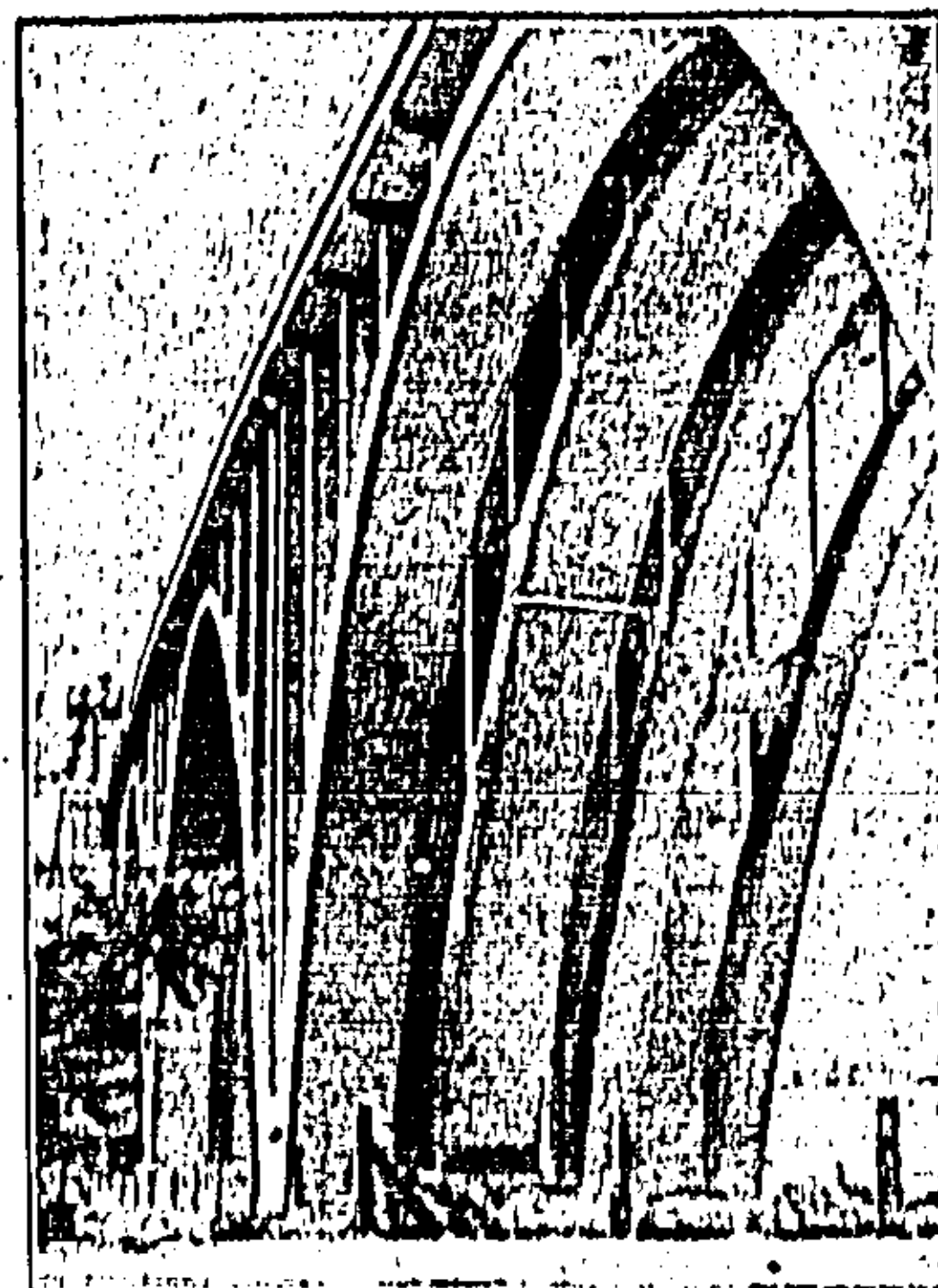
Meanwhile Russian scientists are to continue their search for the path of the Gulf Stream, which is believed by some to maintain an ice-free passage all the year round—in the vicinity of the North Pole.

Russia is determined to find an adequate means of transport for the rich natural resources of Northern Siberia—hitherto almost untapped—and at the same time to relieve the congestion on the Trans-Siberian Railway.

granted a new trial.

The 60,000 word manuscript, originally written in German, has been translated into English and typewritten. It is reported that Hauptmann was offered U.S. \$20,000 for the work.

DANISH BRIDGE



German engineers constructed this gigantic bridge across the Little Belt in Denmark.

## French Academy Completes New Dictionary

## "BAR" ADMITTED BUT NOT "YANKEE"

Paris, Oct. 1. — The French Academy this evening completed its standard dictionary of the French language, on which it has been working for 50 years. Among the last 13 words to be examined this week was "zut."

After a careful survey this afternoon the Academicians decided to include the word with the following definition: "A familiar interjection to send people to the Devil." The Due de Broglie was among the sponsors of "zut."

An idea of the work entailed in revising the old standard dictionary and incorporating the new words may be gained from the fact that it took the Academy two years to work through the letter "M" alone. One of the chief discussions which took place during these two years was over the word "midnette," which was finally rejected.

Once the letter "M" had been completed the work of revision was speeded up. The letters N to Z were completed during the last two or three years.

## War Slang

Numerous war words, some of which were originally considered as slang, have been admitted into the dictionary and have become "French." These include "poilu" (a French soldier), "camouflage" and "pinard" (the soldiers' slang term for wine).

The English words "destroyer" and "interview" have also been admitted as French. Other words that have been accepted include "bar" (for drinking), "cable" (to cable), "lineum" and "garage." Certain swear words have also been admitted, but are noted as "vulgar."

Only a few days ago the Academicians rejected the word "Yankee," even though it is currently used in France, on the grounds that it might offend American susceptibilities.

The new dictionary is the eighth edition. It will appear in two volumes next month. The first edition was brought out by the Academy in 1694 and presented to Louis XIV. at Fontainebleau.

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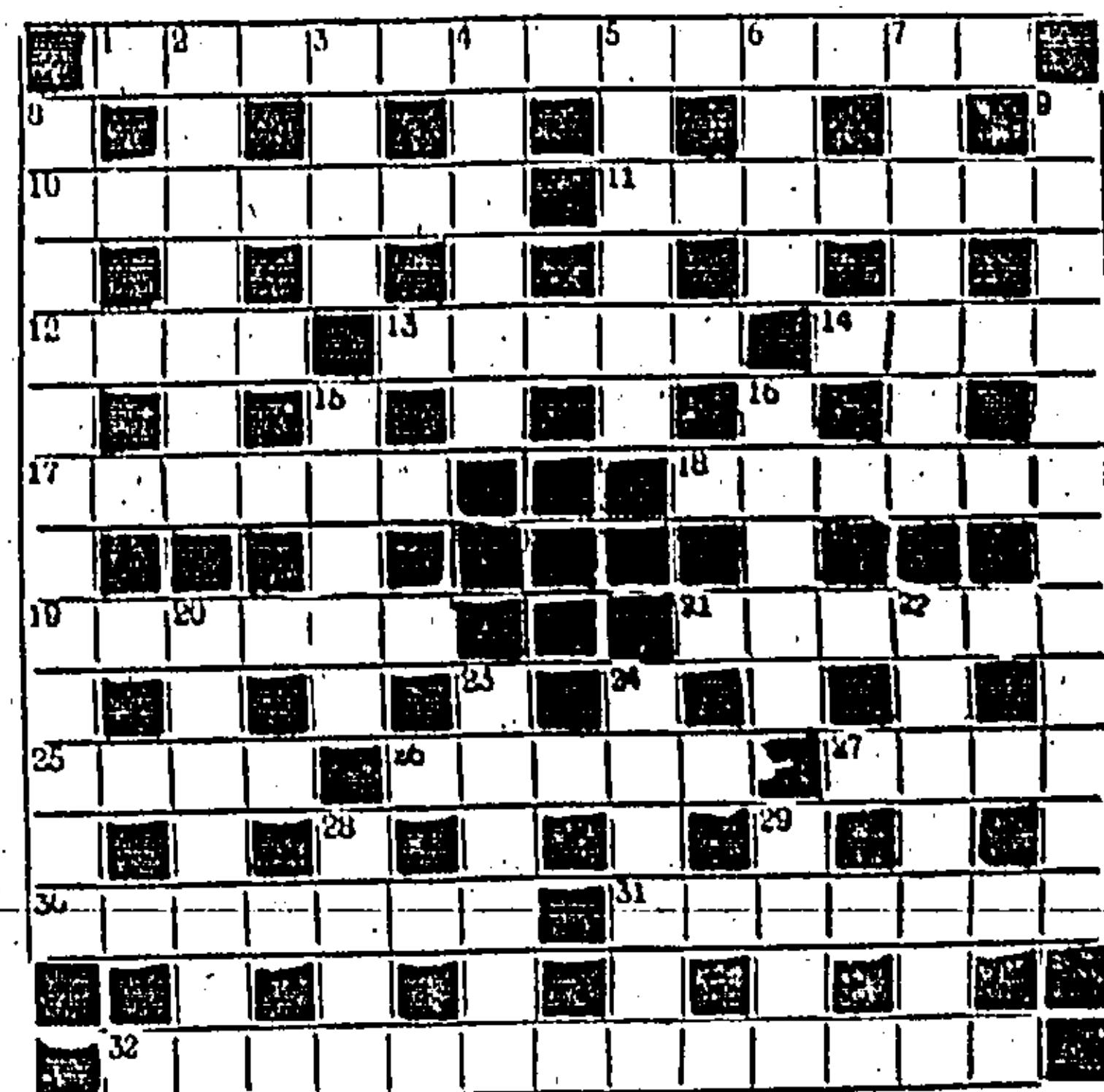
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- 11 Cain was fit in himself to be an officer.
- 12 This is all vile and twisted.
- 13 Business transactions at Contract Bridge?
- 14 This part of a mimic army is easily separated.
- 17 Corners.
- 18 Gone for a drink with the gees.
- 19 A letter of reward is sweet.
- 21 Anger is shown by one who sees this phenomenon.
- 25 One over the eight.
- 26 Truly this is a test of sobriety!
- 27 Musical instrument.
- 30 Knock down—but not in the ring.
- 31 Granted it might be useful to the fisherman.
- 32 Figures are his strong point, but he may be no judge of beauty.

## Down

- 2 Investing, but not in the usual way.
- 3 In which a smash may produce a scar.
- 4 The ship is safe when this is done.
- 5 They use this differently at football and fishing.
- 6 When these go to the head they make it upside down.
- 7 Shuffle.

- 8 A taste Ireland tends to show she controls.
- 9 Something has got mixed up here, obviously.
- 16 Essex is the abode of both males and females.
- 16 Also this—
- 20 —Is more humorous.
- 22 European country.
- 23 Keep silence, about the custom in this truly British edifice.
- 24 An outlaw. Say it with music.
- 28 As you were.
- 29 14.

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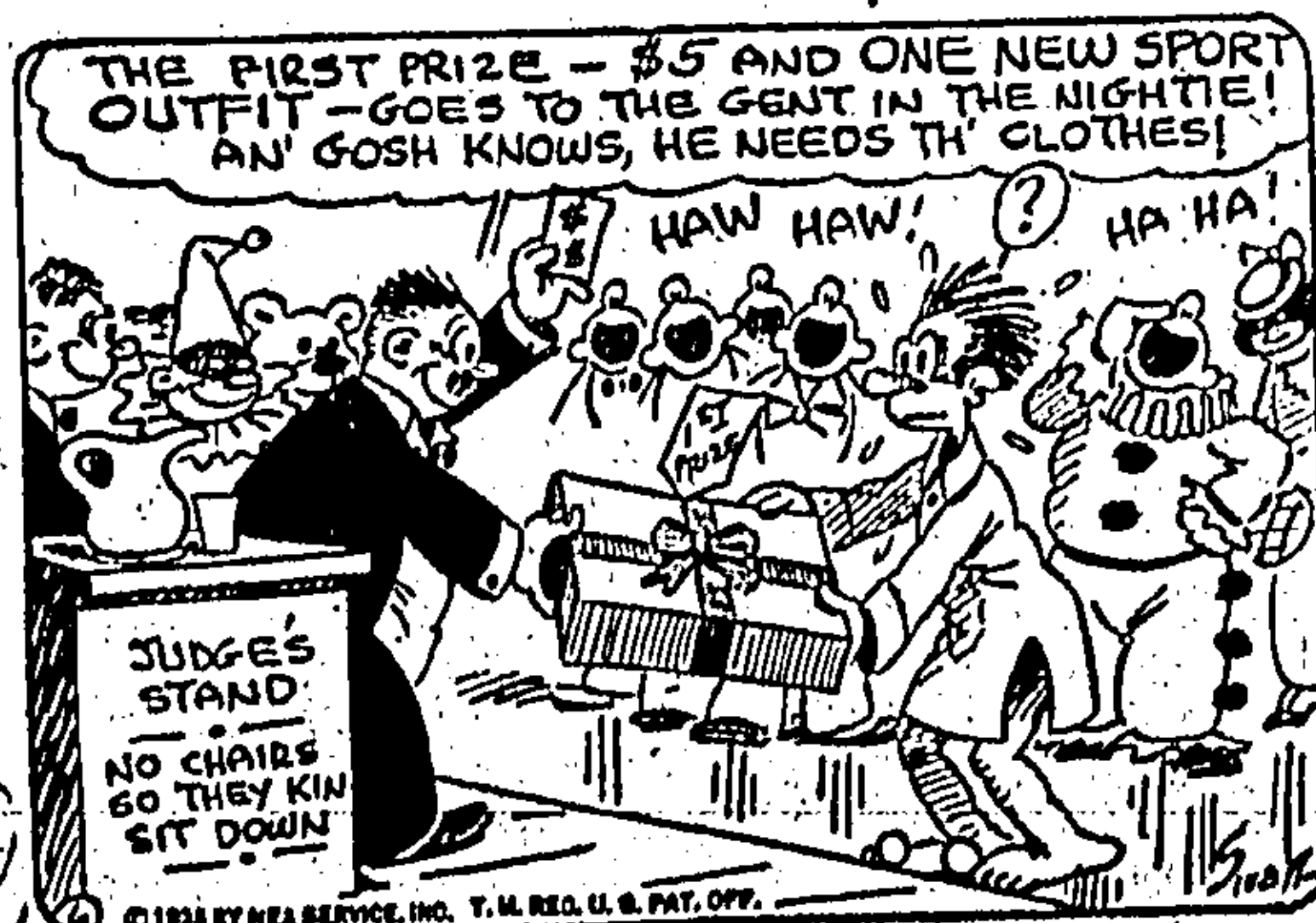
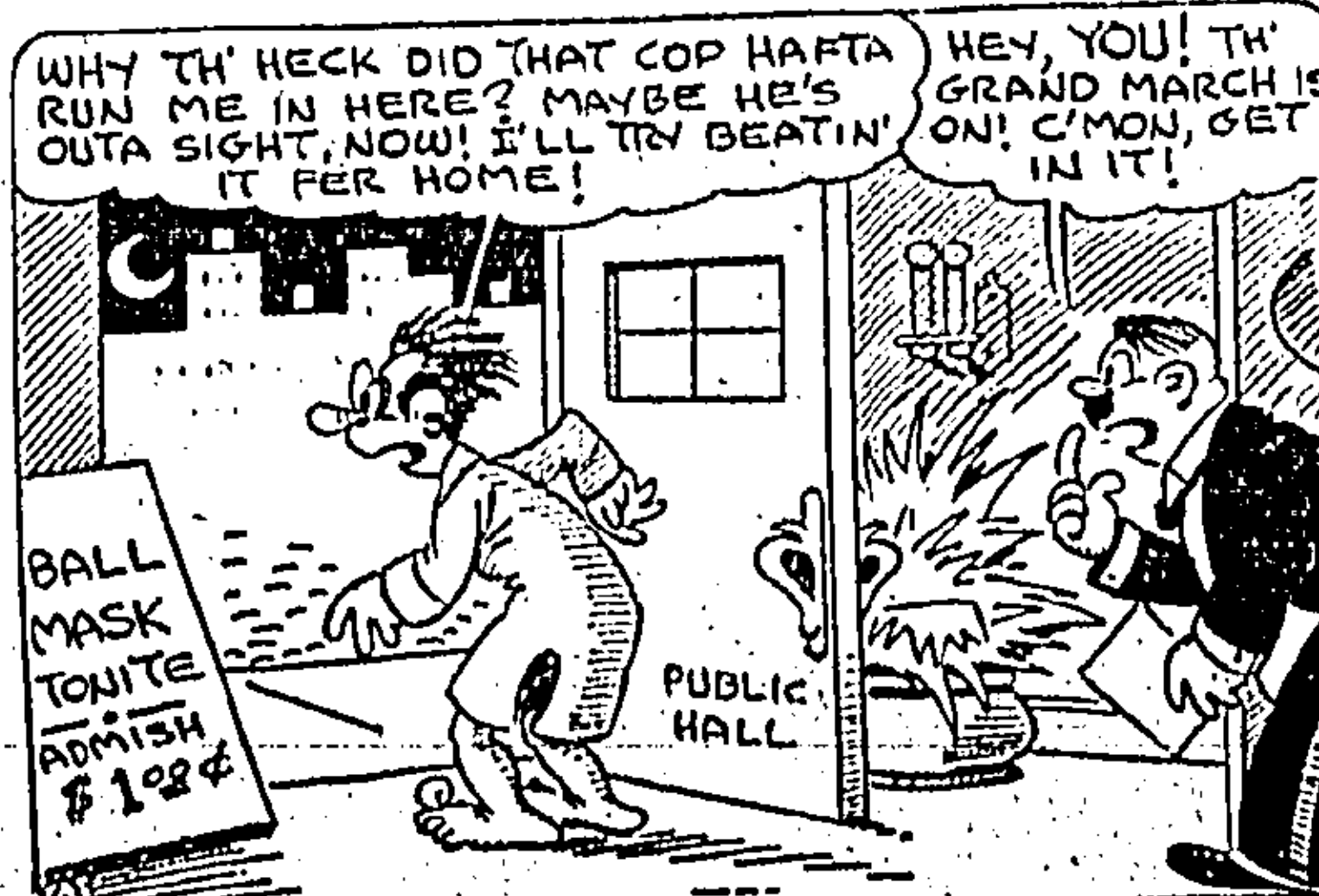
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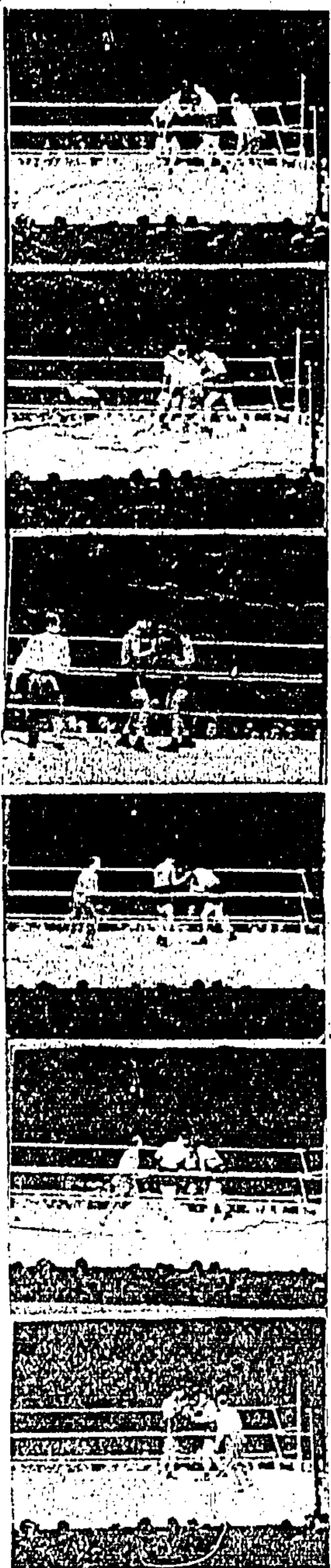
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# Closure Of Suez Canal Would Seriously Affect Far East

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Six blows that decided the fate of Maxie Baer, Broadway playboy who was knocked out in the fourth round of his recent fight with Joe Louis. Each of the blows, delivered at dynamic force, connected on Baer's chin. He was saved from a knockout in the third round by the bell.

## France May Sell Ten Largest Ships

### DEADLY BLOW TO MARSEILLES IF AXE FALLS

Marseilles, Oct. 1. THREE hundred officers and 1,200 sailors are threatened with unemployment as the result of proposals by the Economy Commission appointed by the French Ministry of Mercantile Marine to lay up a percentage of subsidised mail-boats.

At a meeting of the officers it was stated that three of the lines of the Messageries Maritimes Company, serving Far East, Australia, and Mediterranean routes, might be compelled to reduce their fleets by 10 ships.

**Blow To Trade**  
The Messageries Maritimes fleet, which at one time had 60 ships in service, would then possess only 26 units.

Shipping authorities here state that the proposal, if put into effect, will not only be a deadly blow to Marseilles, the first port in France, but also to French shipping and trade, in general.

The ten vessels which may be withdrawn, they argue, represent a tonnage of 100,000.

Each year £100,000 will have to be paid in unemployment allowances, and some £700,000 worth of trade will be lost.

Further, general business in Marseilles will decline by more than £500,000.

Assuming the ships are sold to foreign companies, a working capital of £2,500,000 will be lost to French mercantile shipping. The gross loss, therefore, will, it is estimated, be £3,900,000.

## SHIPPING VIA THE CAPE

Possible Italo-British Mediterranean Struggle Would Divert Commerce Through Panama Canal

Washington, Oct. 15.

An Italian-British struggle in the Mediterranean, jeopardising a main traffic artery of the world, would lead to an extraordinary shift in Far Eastern commerce and divert much traffic to the Panama route, shipping authorities here predicted.

Growing concern over the traffic situation along the Suez-Mediterranean route has caused experts to envisage an international maritime situation without precedent in the world's history.

Until the opening of the Panama Canal, the interruption of shipping through the Mediterranean would have merely been followed by the diversion of Europe-Asia traffic to the old Cape of Good Hope route of sailing-ship days.

With the Panama Canal in operation, however, cutting of the normal traffic route via Suez would cause distances on many important world routes to be re-calculated on the basis of distances via Panama versus Cape of Good Hope.

If the Mediterranean route should be interrupted, or even if war risks there became very high, the heavy commodities traffic from the Far East to the United States would come exclusively by Panama. At present, it moves both by Suez and Panama. Much of the Eastern Asian traffic to and from Northern Europe also probably would be routed by Panama.

In the re-routing of traffic, the relative distance would not be the sole consideration, as the degree of risk on various routes, the ports of call available, and the new traffic arising on account of war needs would also enter into the situation.

In former days when bulky commodities were carried in large part by "tramp" steamers, distance was a controlling consideration, but in recent years much of the world's commerce is handled by lines operating on fixed routes, with numerous ports of call. The re-routing therefore could not easily be foreseen.

World shipping is governed in large degree by the movements of the great basic raw materials, and if Far Eastern rubber, tin, silk, sugar, and vegetable oils should be moved into the Atlantic via Panama a situation would be created favourable to an expansion of American commerce, experts here believed.

At present the China coast is approximately equidistant by Suez or Panama to New York. If the Suez route were closed, however, the Panama route would afford a considerable saving in distance.

Relative distances from New York to important Far Eastern commercial centres are as follows:

New York to Singapore—by Good Hope, 12,409 miles; by Suez, 10,177; by Panama, 12,522.

New York to Shanghai—by Good Hope, 14,427; by Suez, 12,384; by Panama, 10,645.

New York to Yokohama—by Good Hope, 15,099; by Suez, 13,079; by Panama, 9,677.

New York to Sydney—by Good Hope, 15,099; by Suez, 13,471; by Panama, 9,691.

Traffic between British India and Great Britain presumably would take the Good Hope route, but the heavy shipments of Indian jute to the United States, in event of Suez route interruption might come via Panama.

### Rubber From Asia

The heavy rubber shipments from south eastern Asia to the United States now come in large part via Suez, but would be re-routed by Panama. Considerable Philippines sugar now shipped via Suez also would find a Pacific route.

The United States share of total cargo moving annually through the Suez canal ranges from five to nine per cent, but is of large tonnage. In 1929, shipments through Suez from the United States were 615,000 tons; to the United States, 2,247,000; in 1934, cargoes from the United States were 237,000 tons; to the United States, 1,368,000.

Important cargoes shipped through Suez to the United States were rubber, minerals and metals, gunnies, sugar, jute, vegetable oils and tea. In the other direction moved American kerosene, metals, machinery, lubricating oils, paper pulp, and raw cotton. Speculation as to possible maritime aspects of an Italo-British struggle generally presumes that Great Britain would control

all seas outside the Mediterranean, and that communications there might be kept open, though at great hazard to commercial shipping.

### Italian Sea Menace

Long distance cruising, submarines and air bombers, however, create hazards to shipping of far greater radius than existed during the Great War. It is conceivable that Italian submarines or air bombers might get into the Atlantic, the Red Sea or menace west African shipping lines.

An important effect of Mediterranean shipping interruption might be to expand overland communications from Europe to Asia. There is, for example, considerable traffic from Russia to Vladivostok and other Far Eastern cities by way of Suez, that might conveniently be re-routed overland. Such traffic would be an added argument for the early completion of double tracking of the Trans-Siberian railway.

Central European regions might, if the Suez were interrupted, find a new need for overland communications to the Persian gulf and India, such as existed in the caravan routes prior to the opening of the Suez Canal in November 1869.—United Press.

## STRATOSPHERE FLIERS WERE LOST

Moscow, Oct. 1.

Two Soviet stratosphere pilots, B. A. Romanov and A. I. Babuikin, missing (believed dead) since September 3, turned up here to-day with a claim to have beaten the world's distance record.

They declare that they made a flight of 1,380 miles, at an average altitude of four miles, before their balloon came down in the desert steppe of Southern Kazakhstan.

The pilots then walked for two days before meeting a herdsman, who lent them a horse for a 220-mile ride to the nearest telegraph.

The balloon was the first of its sort to cross the Urals.



Ginger Rogers, film star, adopts new hairdressing mode, named "Golden Plaque." It recalls classic fashions immortalized on ancient plaques and coins. Hair is combed back from forehead, slightly waved at back, ends coiled low at nape of the neck.

## RADICAL MOVE

### R.A.F. CHANGING OVER TO MONOPLANES

A radical change in the flying equipment of the Royal Air Force will be effected when the new aeroplanes, ordered under the expansion scheme, are delivered to the squadrons. Instead of the biplane being used to the exclusion of all other forms, the monoplane will be introduced on a large scale, and will provide nearly half the total new equipment.

Details of many of the orders are secret; but it is stated that monoplanes are to be used in almost every class of aircraft in the Service, from the small single-seater fighters to the heaviest bombers.

This is the first drastic break-away from the tradition originally established by the Royal Flying Corps, and followed by the Royal Air Force.

Apart from a few types of foreign design, such as the Bleriot monoplane, the Morane Parasol, and the Morane Bullet, British Service aeroplanes have invariably been biplanes or triplanes. The biplane form has retained its popularity to the present day, and the large Fairey long-range bomber is the first monoplane to be standardised in the R.A.F.

### Determining Factor

Various reasons have been given for the predominance of the biplane.

The British air authorities have held that the powers of rapid manoeuvre of the biplane are superior to those of the equivalent monoplane, partly on account of the smaller wing span. In addition, the biplane has been advocated on the grounds that it is less vulnerable in combat.

It has also been stated, though this point has been strongly contested, that the outlook for the pilot from a biplane is better than from the equivalent monoplane, owing to the comparatively shallow wing section of the biplane and to the possibility of placing the top plane on a level with the pilot's eyes.

It is probably true to state that the remarkable advances in performance made by American transport aeroplanes of monoplane form, advances to whose military

implications attention was first directed in the *Morning Post*, have been the determining factor in the change over.

### Best Type For Speed

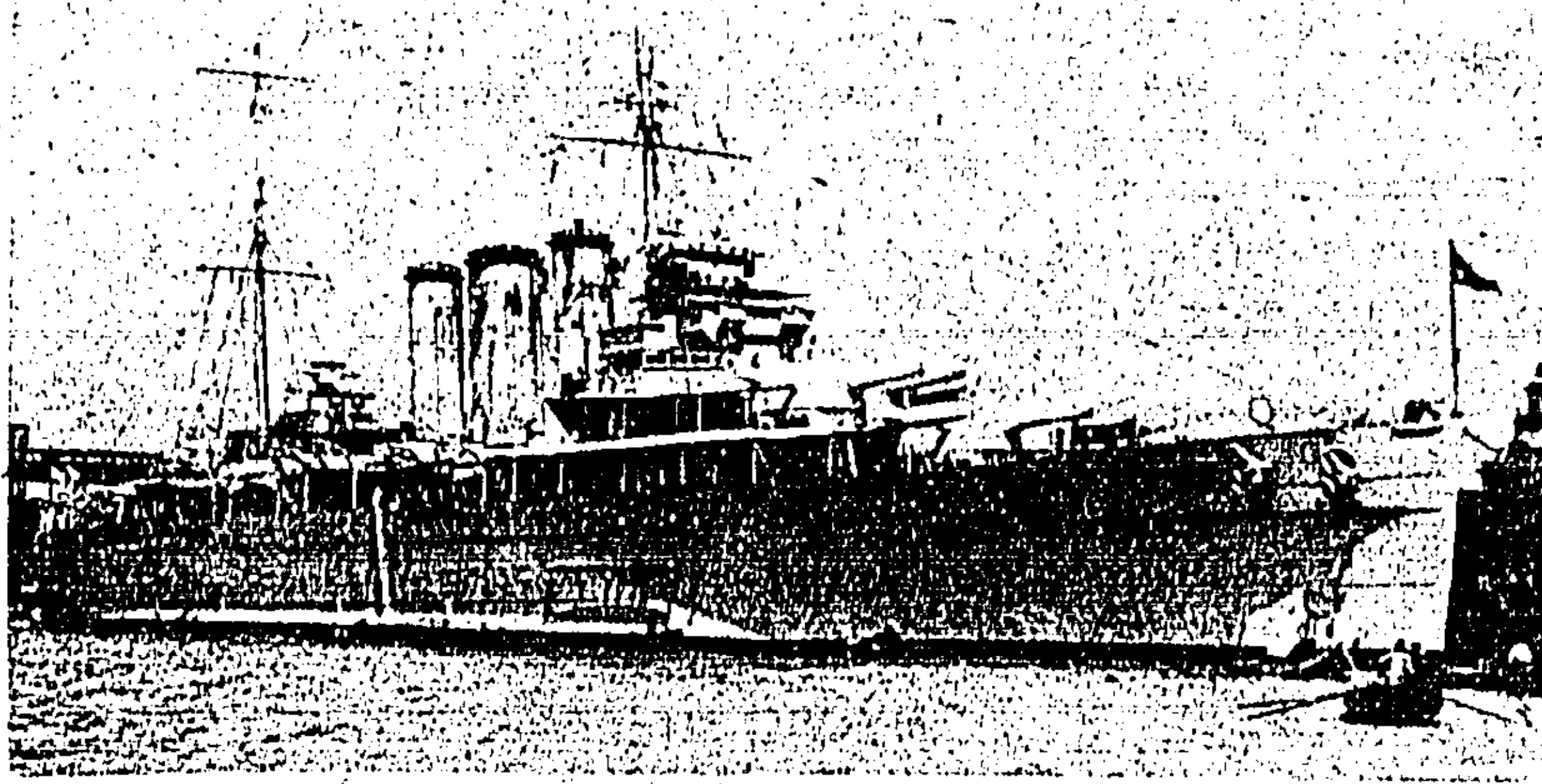
The Americans showed how the monoplane was capable of being designed with a much "cleaner" structure, aerodynamically, than the biplane. In addition, the introduction of the retractile under-carriage has found a use for the thick wing section of the monoplane.

For speed record breaking, both in the landplane class and in the seaplane class, the monoplane has been invariably successful. The Italian seaplane which holds the world's air speed record of about 450 miles an hour is a monoplane; and so is the French machine which holds the world's land aeroplane speed record.

The evidence is overwhelmingly in favour of the monoplane, usually with liquid cooled engine, as being the type best suited to obtaining the highest possible speeds.

Powers of manoeuvre, in accordance with the theory of the British authorities, have proved in practice to be slightly less marked in the monoplane than in the biplane. The small biplanes of the war period, such as the Sopwith Pup, the Sopwith Camel, the D.H.2 (pusher single-seater), and the Nieuport Scout, were all notable for extreme rapidity of manoeuvre. Powers of manoeuvre in modern single-seater fighters, however, are somewhat subordinated to sheer performance expressed in speed and climb.

## DECORATION FOR A WARSHIP

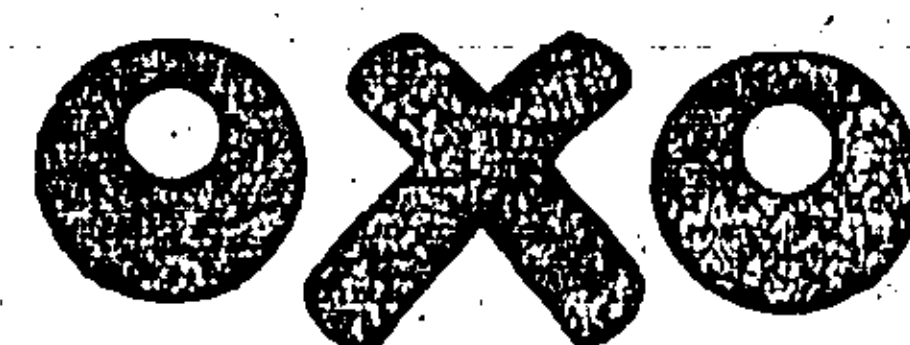


H.M.S. Suffolk has won a decoration from the Board of Trade—in the form of a piece of plate. The presentation was made yesterday in recognition of the splendid rescue carried out by seamen of the cruiser when the City of Cambridge was pounding to pieces on Pratas Reef in October last year. The Suffolk's rescue work took several days and was handicapped by heavy weather. Finally ship's boats got in the lee of the reef and men waded through the shallows to a point close to the stranded vessel's side, and dragged their boats after them. Not a life was lost.—Reuter.



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(Continued from Page 7.)

Broadcasting House.  
Greenwich Time Signal at 11.30 a.m.  
11.45 a.m. The News.  
12 p.m. Close down.

## Transmission 2

(G.S.B., G.R.H. and G.R.G.)  
7 p.m. Big Ben. "Musical Odeograph"—No. 2: Songs of the Army and Navy. Being reminiscences of the British Army and Navy as reflected in the songs and catches of the period. Devoted and presented by Harold Scott and John Padley.  
7.30 p.m. "The Gift" A story by Herbert Jay.

7.50 p.m. The Rutland Square and New Victoria Orchestra, directed by Norman Austin. Relayed from the Victoria Cinema, Edinburgh.  
8.30 p.m. "A Countryman's Diary." A. G. Street continues his series of talks on everyday matters in the English countryside.  
8.45 p.m. The Rutland Square and New Victoria Orchestra (cont'd).  
9 p.m. The News.  
9.15 p.m. The Rutland Square and New Victoria Orchestra (cont'd).  
9.30 p.m. The Leeds University Concert, relayed from the University, Leeds.  
9.45 p.m. Close down.

## Transmission 3

(G.S.B., G.R.H. and G.R.G.)  
10.15 a.m. G.S.E. 10 p.m. 1 a.m.  
10.15 a.m. The Rutland Square and New Victoria Orchestra, directed by Norman Austin. Relayed from the Victoria Cinema, Edinburgh.  
11 p.m. The Band of His Majesty's Royal Marines, Plymouth Division (by permission of Brigadier J. W. Haldston, C.B.), conducted by Captain F. J. Ricketts, Director of Music, Royal Marines, Vivian Barracks (Gorran). Relayed from the Abbey Hall, Plymouth.  
12 a.m. Light Music.  
12.15 a.m. The News.  
1 a.m. Close down.

## Transmission 4

(G.S.B. and G.R.G.)  
PART I  
1.15 a.m. Big Ben. The B.H.C. Dance Orchestra, directed by Henry Hall.  
2 a.m. The News.  
2.15 a.m. Interlude.  
2.30 a.m. "Across the Bay"—to the Villa San Marino, where, under an Italian sky, there is good food, good music, and good homes with Mantovani and his Orchestra. Presented by Max Keeler and Mark H. Lubbock.  
Greenwich Time Signal at 3 a.m.  
3.15 a.m. From the London Theatre.  
3.35 a.m. Variety Programme. The B.H.C. Orchestra (Section E), conducted by Malcolm Sargent.  
4.45 a.m. Close down.  
PART II  
5 a.m. "The Cuckoo and the Field." A musical love story by Jerome Kern and Otto Harbach.  
6 a.m. The News.  
6.15 a.m. Interlude.  
6.30 a.m. The Leslie Bridgewater Quintet.  
6.45 a.m. Close down.

There will be a study and discussion class at the Minnik Lodge of the Theosophical Society to-night at 6 o'clock.

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### LATEST SHARE QUOTATIONS.

The following quotations on the London Stock Exchange have been received by Messrs. Swan, Culbertson and Fritz, in conjunction with Reuters, Oct. 22, Oct. 23.

### British Government Securities

War Loan 3½% redm. after 1952 £104½ £105½

### Chinese Bonds

4½% Bonds 1898 (Eng. Iss.) £101½ £101½

4½% Loan 1908 £99½ £99½

5% Loan 1912 £77½ £77½

5% Reorg. Loan 1913 (Ldn. Iss.) £91½ £91½

5% Bonds 1925-47 £96½ £96½

5% Shai-Nanking Rly. £69½ £69½

5% Tient-Pukow Rly. £22 £22

5% Tient-Pukow Railway (Supl. Loan) £23½ £23½

5% Hunan Rly. £25 £25

5% Huikuang Rly. £38 £38

5% Lung Tsing U. Hail Rly. 1913 £11½ £11½

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Japan 5% Sterling Loan 1907 £82½ £83½

Japan 5% Sterling Loan 1924 £93½ £94½

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Tate & Lyle 83/— 85/—

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Watney, Combe & Reid def. ord. 71/— 71/6

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## CINEMA NEWS

### NOTES FROM THE THEATRES

Nearly all screen musicals have one song which is outstanding, but when more than one scores a hit in the same production, it's more than likely that Harry Warren and Al Dubin are the song writers. In the First National picture, "Casino de Paris" commencing to-morrow at the Queen's Theatre with Al Jolson and Ruby Keeler heading the all star cast, there are seven songhits. The two big Bob Conolly dance numbers in the picture centre around "A Latin from Manhattan" and "About A Quarter to Nine" both of which are sung by Ruby and Al. Then there's a heart rending torch song, "The little things you used to do" sung by Helen Morgan in her plaintive way. Al Jolson, acknowledged the greatest "Mammy song" singer of all times, introduces a new style mammy song by the title of "Home-My, I'll Sing About you." There's nothing old-fashioned really, about the song "Have an Old-fashioned Cocktail" with the Ruby Keeler sings and dances to it. "Casino de Paris" is the title song of the New York night club that Jolson owns in the film and he sings this theme song with a new nerve.

"The Scarlet Pimpernel" Advice on matters of historical accuracy in the making of the new film "The Scarlet Pimpernel" was provided by Mr. John Orczy-Barstow, son of the Baroness Orczy. There were many different problems of dress, manners and customs of the period which could only be accurately settled by someone who had made an exhaustive study of that period of history. Besides being an Oxford n.a., Mr. Orczy-Barstow is also professor of English at Lausanne University and came over to this country specially to assist in the making of this world-famous story. The "Pimpernel" story was originally written in 1903 as a tale of adventure in Russia for a newspaper serial. At that time the relations between England and Russia were somewhat strained and the serial was withdrawn after two instalments. Baroness Orczy then adapted the story to the French Revolution period. Perhaps the choosing of the title "The Scarlet Pimpernel" an English roadside flower, was influenced by the fact that the Baroness has always been a keen botanist. The enormous popularity of the book can be gathered from the fact that over three and a half million copies have been sold in Great Britain alone. The total sales reach a staggering figure, as it has been translated into twenty-three languages including Chinese, Tamil and Braille. The novel was refused by 14 publishers before being accepted. The famous stage play of the same name was presented over five thousand times, but this number of performances will probably be multiplied a hundred times by Alexander Korda's new film which is having world-wide release by United Artists and is being shown at the King's Theatre on Saturday.

"Curly Top" From the dull and drab life of a small town orphanage to a sunny, palatial mansion in Southampton adequately sums up the quick rise to luxury and happiness enjoyed by Shirley Temple in her new picture "Curly Top" coming to the Alhambra on Saturday. In this new Fox Film comedy-drama with music, Shirley, along with Rochelle Hudson, who portrays the role of her big sister, are adopted by John Boles and taken from an orphanage to his palatial summer home. Shirley and Rochelle enter upon their new life with all the joy of two youngsters in a dreamland of happiness. Shirley's new-found happiness blossoms forth into laughter, song and dance and soon her charm and childish pranks form the foundation of a delightful romance between John Boles and Rochelle Hudson. "Curly Top" Shirley's talents are given full sway and audiences will come under her enchanting spell when she sings "Animal Crackers in My Soup" and "When I Grow Up." John Boles sings two of the hit numbers in the film. They are "It's All So New To Me," and the theme number "Curly Top." Rochelle Hudson who makes her singing debut in this

## JEWISH PERSECUTION

### NAMES STRICKEN FROM ROLLS OF HONOUR

Berlin, Oct. 23. General Goebbels has ordered the names of Jews to be stricken from the Rolls of Honour of those killed in the service of Germany during the Great War.—United Press.

picture, sings "The Simple Things in Life." All five songs in "Curly Top," produced by Winfield Sheehan and directed by Irving Cummings, were written by Ray Henderson, one of the most prolific and successful of American's popular song writers.

"Reckless" Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's outstanding feature, "Reckless" showing at the Oriental Theatre on Friday and Saturday has all the essentials of several excellent pictures contained within footage of one picture that promises to become one of the most successful productions of the year. Of first importance, it brings William Powell and Jean Harlow together as co-stars. It presents Miss Harlow for the first time as a singing and dancing star. The cast include Franchot Tone, May Robson, Ted Healy, Nat Pendleton, Henry Stephenson, Rosalind Russell, Robert Light, Louis Henry, James Ellison, Leon Waycoff and Nina Mae McKinney. The story is that of Ted Riley, sensational promoter of everything from dancing floors to headed wrestlers, and of Mona Leslie, dazzling dancer whom Riley has lifted from carnivals to Broadway stardom—to fall in love with her, to lose her, and then to win her back again. The settings of the story include Broadway stage life, Westchester County's social elite, race tracks, carnivals, millionaires' penthouses, palatial yachts, etc.

"Grand Hotel" "Grand Hotel," as screened to-day at the Strand Theatre, is a distinct triumph of the talkies. The completed product, viewed as a whole, is bigger than its amazing cast, story, directorial effort and production. It is quite the most artistic and worthy offering the screen has known since the advent of talkies, if not inclusive of the silent days. If for only the cast, boasting such stars as Greta Garbo, John Barrymore, Joan Crawford, Wallace Beery, Lionel Barrymore, Lewis Stone and Jean Harlow, the picturisation of the famous Vicki Baum play would have much to commend it as an outstanding picture. But, in addition to the magnificent characterisations, it has the superb mounting of imposing sets, splendid photography and admirable direction by Edmund Goulding. Goulding missed nothing in his consuming desire to bring "Grand Hotel" to the screen as a vividly symbolic human document. The film's version cannot be called a mere copy of the stage play. It is vastly more than that, in fact, it is a combination of the original novel and the best that the theatre piece contained. It moves swiftly and permits an unlimited scope of action, yet it never goes outside the hotel in which the entire story is unfolded.

"Mr. Dynamite" Edmund Lowe, who is seen in the starring role of "Mr. Dynamite" the Universal mystery thriller closing to-day at the Queen's Theatre, is famous for his keen sense of humour. Sometimes, however, his unconscious humour is much funnier than intentional even with Lowe. The actor was playing a scene with Ester Ralston, during the filming of the picture and inadvertently got his lines mixed. Miss Ralston had just faintly in his arms and Lowe was supposed to say, "We'll put her on the divan. I like my bodies neatly arranged." But instead he said "I like my bodies freshly starched and laundered," a line he used in the preceding scene, which, of course, had nothing to do with the lovely anatomy of Miss Ralston. Featured in the cast besides Lowe and Miss Ralston, are Victor Varconi, Vera Hill, Robert Gleckler, Jameson Thomas, Bradley Page, Greta Meyer, Minor Watson and others. Alan Crosland directed the picture, an original story of Nashell Hammett, author of the "Thin Man."

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PRICES****LATEST CABLED  
QUOTATIONS**The following quotations on the  
New York commodity exchange are  
issued by Reuters:

	Oct. 22.	Oct. 23.
October .....	10.88	11.05/06
December .....	10.81	10.99/11.00
January .....	10.73	10.96/06
March .....	10.79	11.02/03
May .....	10.81	11.06/07
July .....	10.85	11.07/07
Spot .....	11.20	11.40

**New York Rubber**

December .....	12.92	13.17/15
January .....	13.00	13.22/22
March .....	13.17	13.39/39
May .....	13.32	13.52/52
July .....	13.48	13.67/67

Total sales:—432 lots.

**Chicago Wheat**

December .....	101	99 3/4	99 3/4
May .....	100 3/4	99 3/4	99
July .....	89 1/2	88 3/4	89

Tuesday's sales: 13,767,000 bushels.

**Chicago Corn**

December .....	60 1/4	61 1/2	61 3/4
May .....	59 3/4	60	59 3/4
July .....	60 3/4	60 1/2	60 1/2

Tuesday's sales: 6,154,000 bushels.

**Winnipeg Wheat**

October .....	89 1/4	88 3/4	88 3/4
December .....	89 3/4	89	89
May .....	93 3/4	92 3/4	93

**New York Sugar**

December .....	2.40	2.40/41
January .....	2.17	2.15/16
March .....	2.13	2.11/12
May .....	2.17	2.15/17
July .....	2.21	2.19/20

Total sales:—10,000 tons.

**New York Silk**

December .....	2.07	2.07/09
March .....	2.05	2.04/04
May .....	2.05	2.04/04

Total sales:—90 lots.

**Montreal Silver**

December .....	66.23	66.20/30
January .....	66.35	66.35/50
March .....	66.65	66.70/74
May .....	67.70	67.05/30

Total sales:—8 contracts.

Mr. G. White, B.Sc., will deliver a  
lecture to the Hongkong University  
Engineering Society on "The Forth  
Bridge: Some points of special in-  
terest in its Design and Construction,"  
tomorrow, (Friday) at 8.30 p.m. in  
Room "K" of the University. All in-  
terested are welcome.Two cases of Typhoid fever were  
reported to the local health authori-  
ties on Tuesday.James Dunn, William Farley and Arline Judge, in the Fox film  
comedy, "Welcome Home," now showing at the Alhambra  
Theatre.**WHEAT VERSUS RICE**

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eliminate that sharp division  
between man and nature which  
the clear, crisp atmosphere of  
the temperate zone affords  
wheat eaters.Here man lives closer to and  
in the soil, the water, the sun,  
and the rice eater is more an  
earthy element in his world  
than the wheat eater is in his.  
Small bodies, wiry, tireless, in-  
dividually slowgoing and poor,  
but collectively immovable and  
wealthy beyond the dreams of  
avarice, the rice eater is older  
than the wheat eater, wiser  
than the tractor user, more com-  
pact and more easily mobilised  
than the radio listener.Country by country, the pre-  
dominance is still within the  
East. They produce 98 per cent  
of the world's rice and eat it  
themselves.Rice eaters and bread eaters  
—neither will accept substitutes.  
Germany announces that her  
chemists had fabricated from  
sawdust and pulp a synthetic  
bread to cost a penny a pound.**NOTES OF THE DAY**

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Colony, and the facilities there are  
not as far advanced as ours for  
the handling of planes such  
as those the Pan-American people  
will send across the ocean. We do  
not attempt to explain why per-  
mission was not given the Ameri-  
can mail machines to come here.  
We only hope that no impediment  
will be put in the way of the  
French air line which, it is under-  
stood, is contemplating the estab-  
lishment of a service from Hanoi  
to Hongkong. And some time in  
the near future—barring accidents  
—Imperial Airways may bring  
Hongkong into its scheme of  
things. In spite of everything  
Hongkong will probably be the  
greatest airport in the Far East  
before many years have passed;  
her progress is merely being inter-  
rupted by somebody's short-sighted  
policy.But it has not fed her armies.  
I have seen the frenzied rice  
broker in Osaka, and he is as  
wild a speculator as the frenzied  
broker in Chicago's Pit.Famine is just as poignant,  
whether the stomach cries for  
rice or for wheat.**It Costs No More COOK'S And Saves You  
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THURSDAY, OCT. 24, 1935.

## BRITAIN'S POLICY

In his outline of the British Government's policy in the present crisis, Sir Samuel Hoare rightly claimed that the people of Great Britain, irrespective of party, stand united in support of the League Covenant. There is no conflict of viewpoint on this issue. But it has been made apparent that there is a large volume of opinion which holds that the Government has unduly temporised in making use of the League machinery, with the result that inaction at Geneva has permitted Italy—not only to pour troops into East Africa, but actually to start war against Ethiopia. The charge is that the Government was not firm enough in face of the long-standing threat of hostilities. The Labour Party, incidentally, takes this view, and to that extent it is likely to figure in strong criticism of the Baldwin Administration in the coming election campaign. Sir Samuel Hoare is at pains to point out that the Government had made incessant representations to Italy, beginning as far back as the end of last year, and there is much to be said for his argument that hasty action might have jeopardised the hopes of peace which were entertained up to as recently as August. The fact that those hopes have not been realised is admittedly no fault of Britain's. But there is cause for complaint at the dilatoriness of League action when we bear in mind that Italy was belatedly declared the aggressor nearly three weeks ago, and that even at this stage, with Ethiopians being slaughtered almost daily, the economic sanctions agreed upon are not to be put into force until early next month. In short, the League has thus far failed to achieve its primary object of preventing war. Here, again, however, the fault cannot be laid at the door of Britain, which has striven might and main to get the League machinery brought into use, but has encountered, if not actual obstruction, at least an unwillingness on the part of other nations to expedite matters. Sir Samuel Hoare, in answering the charge that economic sanctions might lead to the use of force, was obviously anxious to show that Britain is reluctant to apply military sanctions; yet, at the same time, he did indicate that Britain is prepared to go to the full limit, if the necessity arises, and what is of the most vital importance—if other nations are prepared to take part in collective action. Actually, the League Covenant does contemplate military sanc-

**NOTES OF THE DAY**

## DANGEROUS PLAN

There is only one merit in the suggestion of the American diplomat, Mr. Nicholas Roosevelt, that Great Britain and the United States should come to an agreement in naval matters and jointly defend the peace of the Pacific. Such a union might go far towards allowing a general reduction of naval tonnage throughout the world and make the possibility of a dangerous naval race that much more remote. However, as we have seen before, it is not until American interests or American security is touched that the public men of the country encourage affiliations abroad. Mr. Roosevelt said in part that Japan had expansionist aims in the Pacific; that the Philippines would be Japanese before another generation had grown up; that the Dutch East Indies would be taken by Japan because of the oil there. No doubt he sees a threat to the peace of the Pacific, and entanglements in which America, with all her precautions to safeguard her neutrality, cannot very well avoid participating. In view of that danger Mr. Roosevelt thinks that an understanding with Great Britain would be of the greatest value in preserving the peace of the Pacific. We doubt it.

## ANTAGONISING JAPAN

In the first place, if Mr. Roosevelt is right and Japan does contemplate seizing other nations' possessions in the Far East, an Anglo-American naval accord in the Pacific would only precipitate trouble. Faced with the possibility of a naval alliance, what little disposition for compromise there is in Japan at present would be immediately killed. A naval conference would be abortive. Japan would build to resist a two-fold menace where now she is concerned merely with protecting herself against a single unit of national strength. If, on the other hand, the naval understanding between Great Britain and America were to follow a decision on the parts of both those countries to reduce their fleets materially and to join in protecting the peace of the seas not only in the Pacific but in other parts of the world as well, we might expect some reciprocal move from Japan. It would not then appear that the alliance was aimed primarily at the Japanese, a thing which Britain very much wishes to avoid, but that it was purely defensive and related to any portion of the globe where aggression occurred. Here is a chance for real collaboration. It is the whole basis of the Japanese naval scheme that navies should be built for the defence of the nations, and that they should in no respect be of a strength which might make them a threat to their neighbours' peace of mind. Japan wants to abolish capital ships, aircraft carriers and submarines. The time may come when that will be possible; but it will never be as long as there is talk of an Anglo-American alliance in the Pacific.

## PACIFIC AIRWAYS

We now learn that Hongkong's hope of becoming the Western terminus of the Pan-American Airways trans-Pacific service is very remote indeed. It appears that Macao is favoured by the operating company, and in view of the fact that the Government there has already decided to grant permission for the use of the port by the American company, it is altogether likely that there the first trans-Pacific mail planes will alight. To say that we are disappointed would be not quite the truth. We cannot be disappointed, because we did not really expect that those responsible in London would move with sufficient alacrity to keep pace with the plans of the American mail operators. We merely hoped that they might. It was Hongkong's right to expect that she would be the Far Eastern terminus of this service, for this is the obvious distributing point for an enormous area. Macao is distinctly less "in touch" with the surrounding country than is this

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tions as a last resort. Even under the best of conditions, economic pressure is slow in becoming effective; as it is proposed in the present crisis, the delay becomes even more pronounced. The tragedy of the position at the moment is that Italy still wages war against a fellow-member of the League, and it is difficult to see that the measures thus far agreed upon are likely to stop her. It is this circumstance which causes a belief in certain quarters that Britain, so far from being too active, has not taken a sufficiently strong stand. And it is clear that the nation and the Empire would favour an even more vigorous policy in order that the aggressor may be brought to book.

**WHEAT versus RICE**

Rice Planting in New Territories, Hongkong.  
—From a watercolour.

With the West Demanding "Bread for All!" and the East Calling for "More Rice!" There Is Revealed a Difference in the Way of Life Which Has Basic Significance

by  
**Sydney**

**GREENBIE.**

THE Great War was won on wheat.

Wheat has ruled mankind for 4,600 years. It is mentioned eight times in the Bible; rice not even once. The encyclopedia gives a column and a quarter to rice; 12 full pages to wheat.

Yet the "staff of life" is as nothing to more than a thousand million persons, for, against the 4,602,000,000 bushels of wheat consumed annually, there are 6,033,000,000 bushels of rice consumed. More than half of the 2,000,000,000 human beings on earth depend on rice for their main source of food.

This is not a mere "Believe It or Not" item. It is a great factor in world politics. These two basic elements of diet are behind two great forces of civilisation. Dependence on wheat alone might set East and West struggling for survival; but with half the world living on wheat and half on rice, an equilibrium may be maintained.

Fundamentally, the two grains represent two distinctly different types of civilisation. The whole life processes involved in raising these two crops are vastly different. Rice grows in the tropics; wheat in the temperate zone. Rice paddy fields are flooded; wheat grows on dry, rolling plains. Rice is planted by hand, men and beast up to their groins in water; wheat permits use of machines that spread their reproductive forces over miles of acres. Rice keeps a family secure on two to seven acres, wheat needs a minimum of some 30 acres. Rice is milled in village mills, individualistic in all operations from planting through to eating; wheat is threshed by giant machines, with gangs of men, and is stored in vast granaries. And yet, contradictorily, the rice eaters are for the most part docile, living under absolutisms that have survived the individualistic in the extreme.

The wheat eaters have spread over the earth and conquered it. The rice eaters have stayed put. When West first met the East, it was predicted that Japan and China would turn to bread, but the expectation has not been realised. Japan had known nothing of bread; adopted the French word *pain* (bread) into her language; tried to make it, and dropped it.

LET us consider for a moment the essentials in the growing of rice and the growing of wheat in the East and the West.

We of the West ran roughshod over our wheat areas, leaving them exhausted and prostrate, fields for the winds to play with or carry the dusty soil hither and yon. And up and down go the prices of wheat, with glut at one moment and

joining at the drought, elated with the rust in Argentina, and enthusiastic over the grasshoppers in Australia. For there is no vacation for wheat; the calendar knows no rest; winter and summer, somewhere wheat is growing.

HOW is it among the rice eaters? China and India living on rice, apathetic toward progress, steeped in antiquity, sunk in despair, go from famine to famine, from flood to drought, plodding, invincible. But Japan, like the wheat eaters, with intensive drive, has doubled her population and her rice. No dust storms in Japan. No nation has been more efficient than Japan in rice growing, cultivating it from time-out-of-mind, though neither in climate nor in physiography is her land particularly suited to its production. Only through careful selection, for centuries, of seed suited to her climate and the development of terraced mountain drainage with much toil has Japan been able to keep up her rice supply. There is beauty written into these terraced hills. Even in the most inaccessible valleys, one may see these stubborn fields, like little shelves bracketed to the walls, clinging to the slopes and holding in their shallow cups thin layers of water which slowly trickle down, down, down, from field to field, making acres where before were only perpendicular lean-tos.

BEGINNING with Japan, down through Hongkong, Manila, Saigon, the rice roads are a parchment record of the centuries. Under parching sun, tepid rains, against volcanic hills, over withered jungle-girded veldt, it is an unending road of rice. At Saigon, one of the principal rice ports of the world, rice comes in from the upper reaches of the Mekong River on thousands of junks over 10,000 miles of canals and waterways; this "Paris of the East" parades its boulevards, loiters on the verandah-shaded sidewalks with European airs, while the populace in the hinterland works its water buffaloes in the sludgy paddy fields. Back at Phnom Penh, the Cambodian king watches his dancing girls on the silver floor of his pavilion while his subjects grind their rice in the enormous mill fed by the junks on the Mekong at the door.

Where Hongkong's New Territories skirt the Kwangtung frontier, tourists see miles and miles of waterlogged land, where, in spring, the planting season for China's staple food begins. The steaming hot rivers, the sour smell of jungle, the densely crowded streets and rivers

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# ATTACK TO BE LAUNCHED ON CAMPBELL'S RECORD

## AMERICA MAKING A BID

### A Car To Be Built

#### AB. JENKINS AS DRIVER

"Sir Malcolm Campbell's new 301-miles-an-hour record can be broken on the Bonneville salt-beds, and it's time America did something about it."

This statement, containing the first intimation of any American's challenge to Sir Malcolm Campbell's speed record, has been made in Salt Lake City by August Dusenberg, famous designer of motor-cars bearing his name.

#### AB. JENKINS

"What can America do about it?" he was asked.

"Build a car capable of breaking Sir Malcolm's record—and turn it over to Ab Jenkins to drive," was the designer's prompt answer.

Coming from one of the greatest of speed car makers, this is perhaps the greatest tribute ever paid to the Salt Lake driver, the "Mormon Marvel," as he is known, who holds the world's record for the 24-hours solo run.

Dusenberg has found a supporter in Gus P. Backman, secretary of the Salt Lake City Chamber of Commerce and race enthusiast. Together they have decided that it not only could but should be done.

#### LIFE AMBITION

Jenkins, it appears, has already been approached. His answer was a foregone conclusion, for it has been his life-long ambition to bring the record for the "flying mile" to America and Salt Lake City.

After watching Campbell, Cobb and Eyrton set their records, he left Salt Lake to return to his factory in Indianapolis, saying that he had seen enough definitely to convince him that a car could be built to better Campbell's record, and that he intended building it. "The problem," he confessed, "is to find a motor with sufficient horsepower."

"It will take the equivalent of 3,000 horses under the hood," he told Backman. "You catch the horses and I'll do the rest."

Dusenberg intimated that the United States Army, within the next few months may be willing to permit the use of a motor which is being secretly developed in eastern plants. Secretary Backman, it is believed, will discuss this possibility with Secretary of War George H. Dern, former Governor of the Mormon State.

## OUR SOCCER FORECASTS

### Huddersfield Visiting Liverpool

(By "Sagax")

The following is a forecast of Saturday's matches in the Home football Leagues:

#### FIRST DIVISION

ARSENAL	v	Preston N. E.
BIRMINGHAM	v	Portsmouth
BLACKBURN	v	Everton
CHELSEA	v	Bolton
Grimsby	v	MIDDLESBRO'
LEEDS	v	Aston Villa
Liverpool	v	HUDDERSFIELD
MANCHESTER C.	v	Brentford
STOKE	v	Derby
SUNDERLAND	v	Wednesday
West Brom.	v	Wolves

#### SECOND DIVISION

BLACKPOOL	v	Hull
Bradford	v	MANCHESTER U.
Bury	v	Plymouth
Doncaster	v	Barnsley
LEICESTER	v	Tottenham
Norwich	v	Burnley
Notts Forest	v	Charlton
SHEFFIELD U.	v	Port Vale
SOUTHAMPTON	v	Fulham
SWANSEA	v	Newcastle
WEST HAM	v	Bradford C.

#### THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)

Aldershot	v	READING
Brighton	v	Notts County
Bristol C.	v	SOUTHEND
COVENTRY	v	Gillingham
Exeter	v	Luton
MILLWALL	v	Northampton
Newport	v	Bournemouth
QUEEN'S P. R.	v	Bristol R.
Swindon	v	Cardiff
Torquay	v	Crystal Pal.
WYFORD	v	Clapton O.

#### THIRD DIVISION (NORTH)

Carlisle	v	Accrington
DARLINGTON	v	New Brighton
Gateshead	v	CHESTERFIELD
HALIFAX	v	Barrow
HARTLEPOOL	v	Southport
Mansfield	v	CHESTER
OLDHAM	v	York
Rotherham	v	LINCOLN
TRANMERE	v	Stockport
WALSALL	v	Crews
WREXHAM	v	Rochdale

#### SCOTTISH LEAGUE (FIRST DIVISION)

AIRDRIE	v	Third Lanark
Arbroath	v	Dunfermline
Clyde	v	RANGERS
DUNDEE	v	Ayr
HEARTS	v	Albion
Kilmarnock	v	ABERDEEN
Motherwell	v	Celtic
PARTICK	v	Hibernian
Queen's Park	v	St. Johnstone
Queen O'Sh.	v	Hamilton

Exeter City have signed J. McCambridge, the Irish international inside forward, from Bristol Rovers. McCambridge has played against England, Scotland, and Wales.

## COUNTY RUGBY FIXTURES

### TWO MATCHES IN CHAMPIONSHIP

#### CAMBRIDGE WINS EASILY

London, Oct. 23. Two matches were played in the South Eastern Section of the County Rugby championship today, the Eastern Counties and Sussex being the winning teams. Eastern Counties met Kent at Norwich and won by ten points to five, while Sussex beat Surrey at South Croydon by thirteen points to five.

## University Athletic Tour Ends

### VISITORS WIN IN SOUTH AFRICA

Queenstown, Sept. 25. The Oxford and Cambridge Universities athletic team wound up their South African tour today with a victory over the South African Universities here.

The tourists made a clean sweep by winning all the eleven events. Of the seven contests in which they took part they won all but the Test match against South Africa at Johannesburg.

At today's match, R. L. Howland, of Cambridge University, was captain of the British team, was accorded a warm ovation for his plucky determination to compete despite injuries received earlier to-day when a car in which he was travelling skidded and fell into a deep ditch. Howland bruised his forehead and knee, and the other three occupants of the car, all of whom were South African University students, received sprains, as a result of which two were unable to compete in the athletic contest.

Howland won both the weight and discus events, beating the British native record of 47ft. 8½in. with an effort of 48ft. 9in. in the weight. "Doubles" were also accomplished by A. W. Sweeney, the R.A.F. sprinter, and A. G. Pilbrow, of Oxford University. Sweeney won both the 100 yards and 220 yards and Pilbrow both the hurdle events.

## Henri Cochet Appearing Next Week



CILLY AUSSEM

## Cilly Aussem To Marry

Cologne, Sept. 27. Fraulein Cilly Aussem, the German lawn tennis player, has become engaged to Count Fermo Murari Dalla Corte Brac, of Verona, Italy.

Cilly Aussem is 26. She reached the peak of her career in 1931, when she won the Wimbledon, German, French and Hungarian singles championships. She was ranked No. 2 in the world's "first ten" in both 1930 and 1931. In 1932, however, she underwent an operation for appendicitis, and she has not reached her best form since.

## INTER-LEAGUE SOCCER

### IRISH PLAYERS DEFEATED

## SCOTLAND WINS IN BELFAST

London, Oct. 23. In an inter-league football match in Belfast to-day, the Irish League lost to the Scottish League by the odd goal in five.

## ACCEPTORS FOR NEWMARKET

## CAMBRIDGESHIRE ON WEDNESDAY

### CALL-OVER PRICE LIST ANNOUNCED

London, Oct. 23. The final acceptors and their probable jockeys for the Cambridgeshire which is to be run at Newmarket on Wednesday next are now announced.

The list is as follows: Wyehwood Abbot (R. Perryman). Halran (C. Smirke). Caymans (R. A. Jones). Almond Hill (Harry Wragg). The Blue Boy (Gordon Richards). Iron Grey (F. Herbert). Boethius (W. Rickaby). Negundo (C. Elliot). Pepino (T. Lawrey). Finalist (Sammy Wragg). Law Court (J. Dines). Commander III (T. Hawcourt).

Guinea Gap (S. Donoghue). Plymouth Sound (J. Sirett). Highlander (F. Lane). British Quota (E. Smith). Monico (Barham). Heavyweight (V. Smyth). Trigo Verde (D. Smith). Gunboat (T. Ryan). Rodeo (Wing). O'Grady (A. Burns). Pegasus (K. Robertson). Games Master (M. Lynch). Inflation (S. Middleton). Papyrette (H. Foster). Vergette (Sammy Mitchell). Fartuch, William of Vallance, Valerius, Solarium, Mythical Monk, Fates vos Jeux, Game Chicken, Sans Pride, Joshua, Laurent H. Moldore, Lordling, Sunny Sailor, Man's Pal and Fluke, have not yet been given jockeys.—*Reuter*.

#### LATEST CALL-OVER

London, Oct. 23.

The following is the latest call-over for the Cambridgeshire: 9/1 Pegasus (t and o). 10/1 Law Court (t and o). 100/9 Finalist (t and o). 100/6 Negundo (o). 18/1 Negundo (t). 20/1 Boethius (o). 22/1 Boethius (t). 20/1 British Quota (o). 22/1 British Quota (t). 22/1 Almond Hill (o). 25/1 Almond Hill (t). 25/1 Wyehwood Abbot (t and o). 28/1 Monico (t and o). 28/1 Gunboat (t and o). 28/3 O'Grady (o). 33/1 Caymans (t and o). 33/1 Valerius (t and o). 33/1 The Blue Boy (o). 40/1 The Blue Boy (t). 33/1 Pepino (o). 40/1 Pepino (t). 33/1 Guinea Gap (o). 45/1 Guinea Gap (t). 35/1 Trigo Verde (t and o). 35/1 Plymouth Sound (o). 40/1 Plymouth Sound (t). 35/1 Fates vos Jeux (o). 40/1 Fates vos Jeux (t). 40/1 Highlander (o). 45/1 Highlander (t). 40/1 Inflation (o). 45/1 Inflation (t). 45/1 Commander III (t and o). 45/1 Lordling (o). 50/1 Lordling (t). 50/1 Halran (t and o). 50/1 Papyrette (t and o). 50/1 Heavyweight (t and o). 50/1 Solarium (t and o). 50/1 Iron Grey (t and o). 60/1 Laurent II (t and o).

## AQUATIC WIN

### ENGLAND BEATS WALES AND SCOTLAND

### RECORDS BROKEN & EQUALLED

(By W. J. HOWCROFT)

London, Sept. 30. England, at full strength, beat Scotland and Wales in the inter-country speed swimming contest at Newport on Saturday, the final tally being: England 35 points, Scotland 20 points, and Wales 14 points.

The Leicester girl, Vera Kingston, broke her own British native record when she outclassed the opposition in the 200 yards breast-stroke in 2min. 52.3-sec. This was one second faster than her record performance when she won the National Championship at Blackpool. She swam with surprising dash, to turn at half distance in 70.3-sec.

The Beckenham youth, Romund Gabrielsen, equalled the British 100 yards record of 54.2-sec., when he defeated the Scot, George Anderson, and S. H. Capon of Cardiff, after a thrilling race. Gabrielsen led Anderson by six inches when they turned at 50 yards in 24-sec. Down the third length Anderson held on grimly, but on the last 25 yards Gabrielsen was the master, and he finished two clear yards in front of Anderson, with Capon a similar distance away in third place.

Gabrielsen has now established himself as the fastest British sprinter of all time, no matter what the conditions—open water or covered bath. The women's sprint champion, Mrs. Olive Wadham, failed to reproduce her best form in the 100 yards event. This, I think, was largely due to faulty turns and, perhaps, the weakness of the opposition.

#### MISS BARTLE'S VICTORY

I am confident that Mrs. Wadham can do better than 65.4-sec., the figures she returned at Newport. On the other hand, Olive Bartle, the English reserve, excelled herself, and certainly surprised the selectors when she took the "reserves" 100 yards race in 64.4-sec.

Phyllis Harding gave her customary display of good style and superb judgment when she won the 150 yards back-stroke in 1min. 55.4-sec. from Jean Greenland, Wales, and Margaret Hamilton, Scotland. The latter, who was placed second in the British Empire back-stroke, was expected to press Miss Harding, but as the race went, Miss Greenland upset all calculations when she just got up in the last 5 yards to take second place. This 16-year-old Welsh girl made a big impression. She is, I believe, the most promising junior in the country, and it is only a matter of specialisation and concentration to bring her into the Olympic team next year.

## TENNIS EXHIBITION ARRANGED

### FRENCHMAN DUE TO-MORROW

#### WEEK-END VISIT TO CANTON

(By "Sagax")

Arrangements are now all but completed for the appearance in Hongkong of Henri Cochet in a series of exhibition lawn tennis matches which are to be staged on the Kowloon Cricket Club's Ground early next week.

It is not yet known what matches are to be played as final arrangements are in the hands of the famous tennis player himself who arrives in the Colony to-morrow by the President McKinley.

Cochet is said to be bringing F. Aragon, the Filipino professional with him while it is expected that he also has a third player coming from Manila. R. Canavaro, the Shanghai professional, is already in the Colony and is to participate in the exhibition matches with Cochet's troupe in China.

It is understood that on Saturday and Sunday the players will give exhibitions in Canton and they will make their first appearance in the Colony on Monday, at the Kowloon Cricket Club. They will play here on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons as well.

During his stay in the Colony Cochet will conduct private classes for local enthusiasts.

H. G. Bentley, the English international, won the Prince of Wales' Cup at Prince's, Sandwith, recently, with an aggregate of 301, his scores being 77, 73, 73, 78. His nearest rival was R. H. Oppenheimer, six shots behind. Lister Hartley, well placed at the end of the third round, took 86 in the last round.

The men's 200 yards breast stroke furnished the race of the evening, when the two old rivals, Norman Hamilton and Arthur Summers, met. Summers took a yard lead at the dive. He held on until the last turn, when Hamilton drew level. They then swam stroke for stroke until the last five yards, when Hamilton made a final effort which put him a foot in front. Hamilton has been playing polo regularly, and his stroke has suffered in consequence, whereas Summers has improved his stroke noticeably within the last two months.

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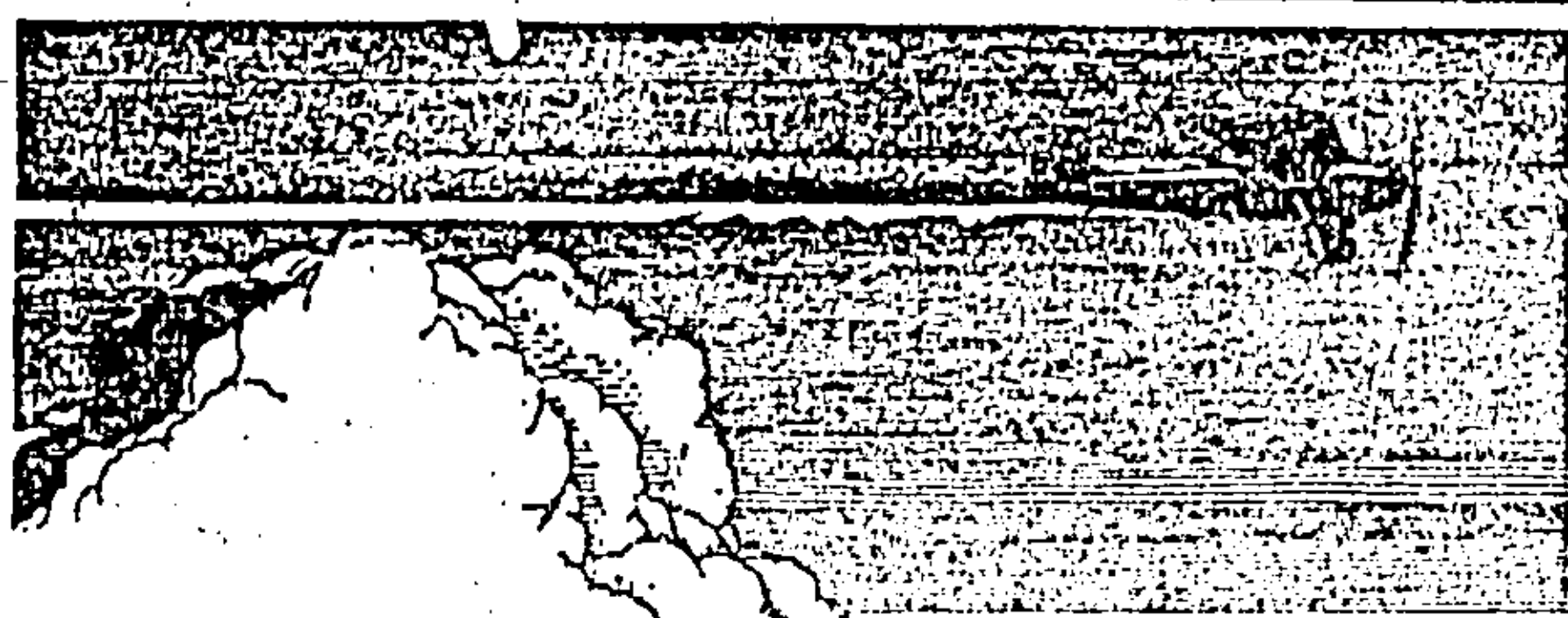
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## BASEBALL PLAYERS RANKED

### HARTNELL TOP IN "NATIONAL"

#### "DIZZY" DEAN SECOND

Philadelphia, Oct. 22.  
The Committee of Baseball Writers to-day named Charles Hartnell, catcher for the Chicago Cubs, champion of the National League, to be the most valuable player of this section.

Of 80 possible votes, Hartnell had 76.

"Dizzy" Dean, the St. Louis Cardinals' famous pitcher, scored 66 votes, which put him second on the list, while Floyd Vaughan, who was recently voted by the National Committee of Sports Writers as one of the two most valuable players in 1935, obtained only third place with 45 votes.

Billy Herman had 38 votes and Joe Medwick 37.—United Press.

### CHAMPION WINS

#### MILLER DEFEATS CHALLENGER

New York, Oct. 22.  
Freddie Miller, the featherweight champion of the world, retained his crown to-day when he gained a decision over Cormier in their 15-round fight.

The champion weighed 124 pounds, while Cormier was one pound heavier.

Miller was too clever for the challenger and took every round of the fifteen with the exception of the tenth and thirteenth.—United Press.

#### OTHER FIGHTS

Sacramento, Oct. 22.  
Speedy Dado and Tony Marino fought to a draw in a ten-round bout here to-night. Both men weighed in at 122 pounds.

Marino's aggressiveness was offset by Dado's speed and skill.

In another fight, Tony Mannini, of San Francisco, gained a decision over Freddie Encinas in a six-round fight. Both men turned the scales at 126 pounds.—United Press.

### LADIES' HOCKEY

#### Meeting Of Association On Friday Week

The Hongkong Ladies' Hockey Association are holding their annual meeting on Friday, November 1, at the Gloucester Hotel, top floor, when the visit of a representative side to Shanghai will be discussed.

In addition officers will be elected for the forthcoming season and arrangements for the Czer Clark Cup competition will be made.

## ONLY BRITISH COMPETITOR

### FOURTH IN RACE IN FRANCE

#### INTERNATIONAL EVENT

Paris, Sept. 29.  
Arthur Norris, the Polytechnic Harrier and English marathon champion, finished fourth in the International Marathon race here to-day, his time being 2 hr. 44 min. 47.2 sec.

He was the only British competitor in the field, which consisted of 66 runners from France, Belgium, Germany, Italy, Sweden, Finland and Spain.

Norris was well up with the leaders from the start. He kept a regular pace without forcing himself. About eight miles from the end Norris was in the fifth position behind the favourite, Kirtanen (Finland), whom he later passed.

In the last mile the Londoner was so exhausted that he nearly abandoned the race, but eventually, encouraged by two French cyclists, he continued to finish about a quarter of a mile behind the French winner.

Norris after the race said he was not used to cobbly roads and hills as this Marathon course provides.

### HOCKEY MATCHES

#### Lincolns Win Easily At Shamshupo

The Lincolnshire Regiment routed the H.K. & S. Brigade yesterday in a hockey encounter at Shamshupo, winning by five goals to one.

Ptes. Harrison and Taylor found the net twice, and C/Serjt. Reeks added the odd goal.

The Y.M.C.A. found themselves outmatched against the Club "A" team at King's Park, losing by the odd goal in three. S. Fowler was the scorer of the Y.M.C.A.'s goal.

#### CLUB JUNIORS

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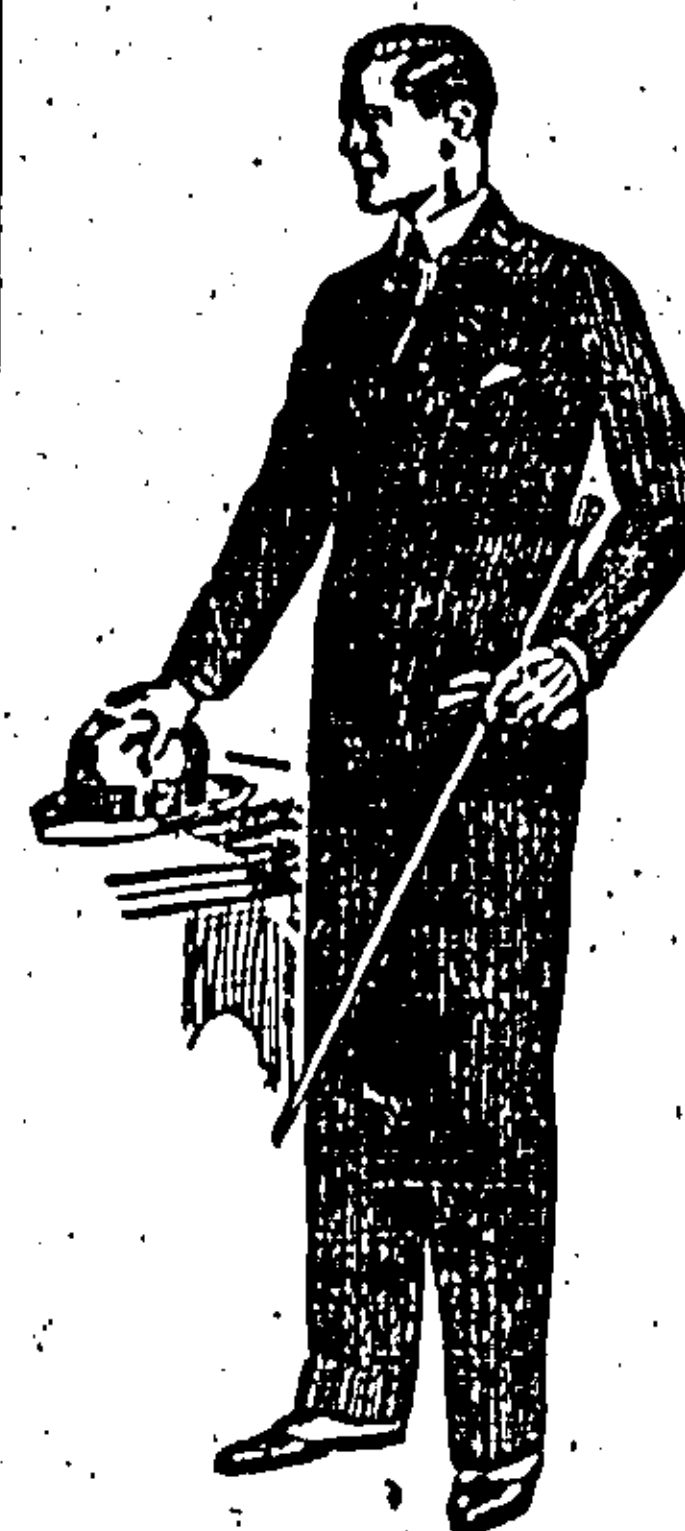
#### Warr Wins Singles Championship

A good game was witnessed at Sookumpoo yesterday afternoon when the final of the Army Singles Tennis Championship was played.

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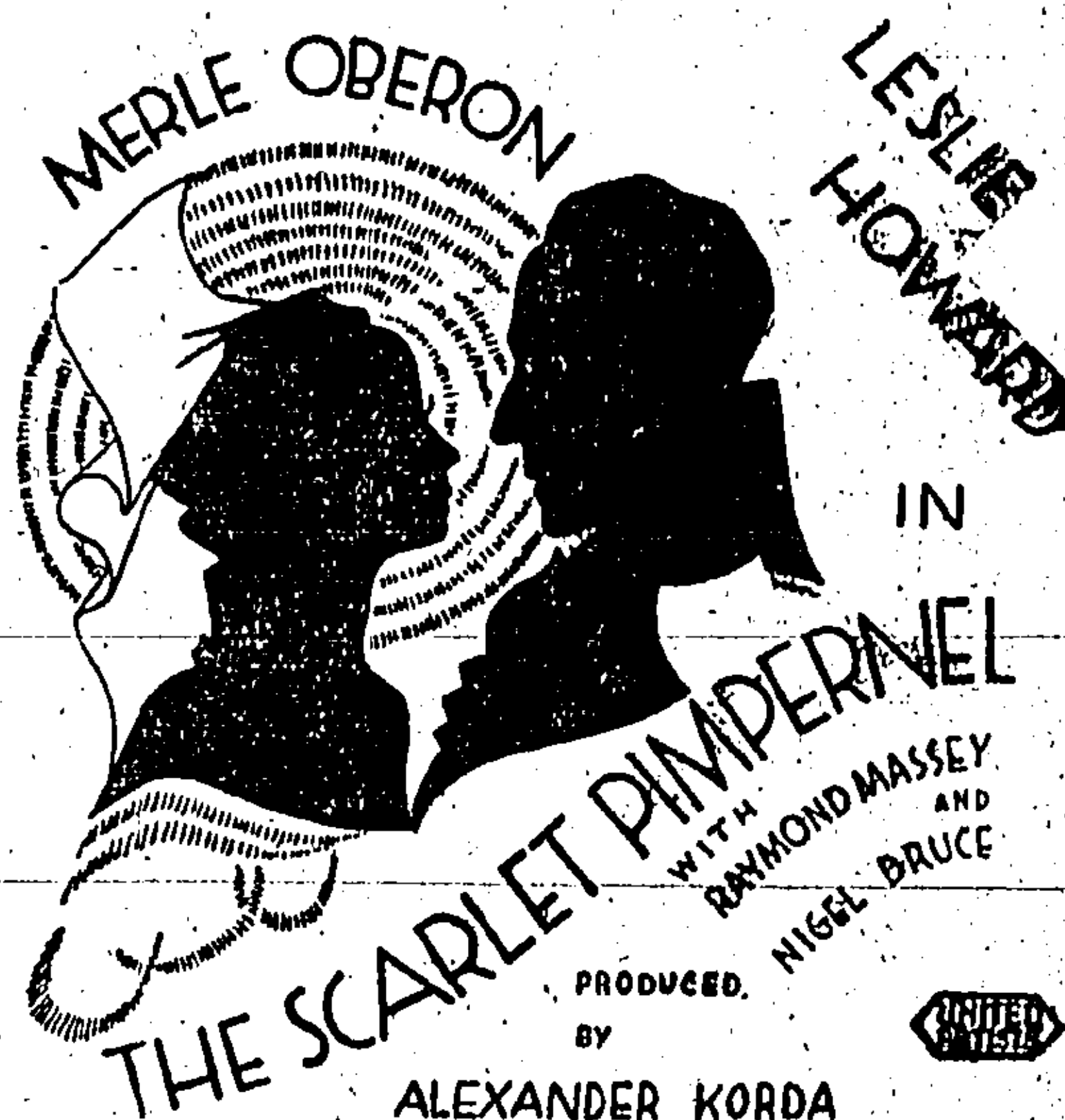
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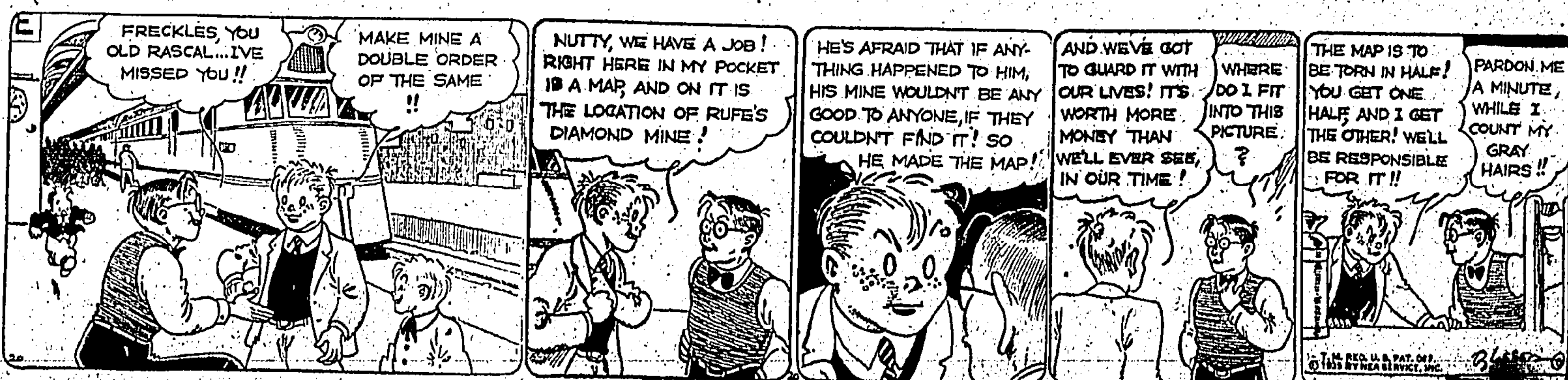
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## SERIAL STORY—

# DONNA THE BIG TOP

by BEULAH POYNTER

### BEGIN HERE TO-DAY

"DONNA GAHRIEL and MADELINE SIDDAL, who call themselves 'The Gaiety Sisters,' are trapeze performers with Benfro's circus. When Madeline's grandfather who is blind asks her to spend a weekend at his farm she refuses. Donna, to go instead. Donna, pretending to be Madeline, falls in love with BILL SIDDAL, Madeline's cousin. CON DAY, an animal trainer, is devoted to Donna but she regards him merely as a friend. Madeline loves Con and schemes to win him.

Donna falls from the trapeze and is injured. Madeline wires Bill to come for her and begs Donna to continue the impersonation. Bill takes Donna to the farm to recuperate. MR. PLANTER, the housekeeper, is suspicious of the girl.

### CAPTER X

There was a big crowd at the Lebanon station to see Donna and Bill arrive. Not all of them admitted that was the reason for their appearance on the depot platform, and innumerable excuses were invented. But the story of the tragedy had made Donna a heroine, and Bill, toward whom many of the local belles had cast amorous glances, had become something of a hero.

Grandfather Sidral was there; his slightest eye roving over the crowd as he sat in the car beside Nub Planter, Young Doctor Lennox and his assistant, Ben Wheeler, were there, too. When the train drew up to the station they sprang upon the platform and entered the Pullman. The crowd, wide-eyed, watched Donna descend through a lowered window and saw old man Sidral embrace his granddaughter.

There were tears in Donna's eyes as the make-shift ambulance rolled along the road to the farm. They were not tears of pain, for she secretly felt the jolts and jags. She was happy—happier than she had ever been—and a single tear was a prayer that she might be worthy of so much kindness and love.

Against her protest she was given the first floor room that had been Grandfather Sidral's since his blindness.

"It used to be your Ma's," said the old man. "I just took it so, not to bother any one, but you're able to climb the stairs. I'm as spry that way as I ever was. And I can get around by myself now all hunky-dory. But the window's low and you can look out across the fields and see Bill bringing home the cows. When the wheat's ripe it's like a sea of gold and mighty pretty. Then when you're able to walk a bit you can come out on the porch without a mite of trouble."

Donna thanked him with a kiss. It really was a lovely room. There was little of Amos Sidral's personality in it, and Mrs. Planter removed that when she took away his pipe, slippers and shabby dressing gown. The old-fashioned bureau was maple with a mirror decorated with hand-painted roses, and a "drawn work" centre piece. On the pink-sprigged wall paper little golden-haired shepherds herded flocks. Pink satin cushions made gay the window seat, and the maple room and a large, gaudy, gaily-dressed doll occupied a place of honour in one corner of the room. Donna wondered if it had belonged to Madeline. Then she concluded that Madeline's mother must have fallen for the fad of French dolls.

On the white shelves containing many books, a white wicker sewing basket was filled with bits of linen and coloured silk thread. The rag rug was pink and pale blue, obviously made at home. Over the mantle-piece hung two photographs. One was a smaller copy of the crayon in the dining room. The other showed a fair-haired girl with a sweet, smirking sort of beauty.

"I never changed anything in Ada's room," Mrs. Planter said. Her manner toward Donna was still hostile. The housekeeper made no attempt to hide the resentment she felt over the extra labour the girl's presence would entail and because Bill's return had sent her son packing.

"You ought to have a nurse," Mrs. Planter mumbled as she hung Donna's clothing in the maple wardrobe. Madeline had, with much forethought, shipped Donna's trunk to her, though before doing so she had carefully removed the lettering of Donna's name. "I've got 10 men to cook for now," Mrs. Planter went on, "and when harvest time comes around I won't even have time to think—let alone fetch and carry for you."

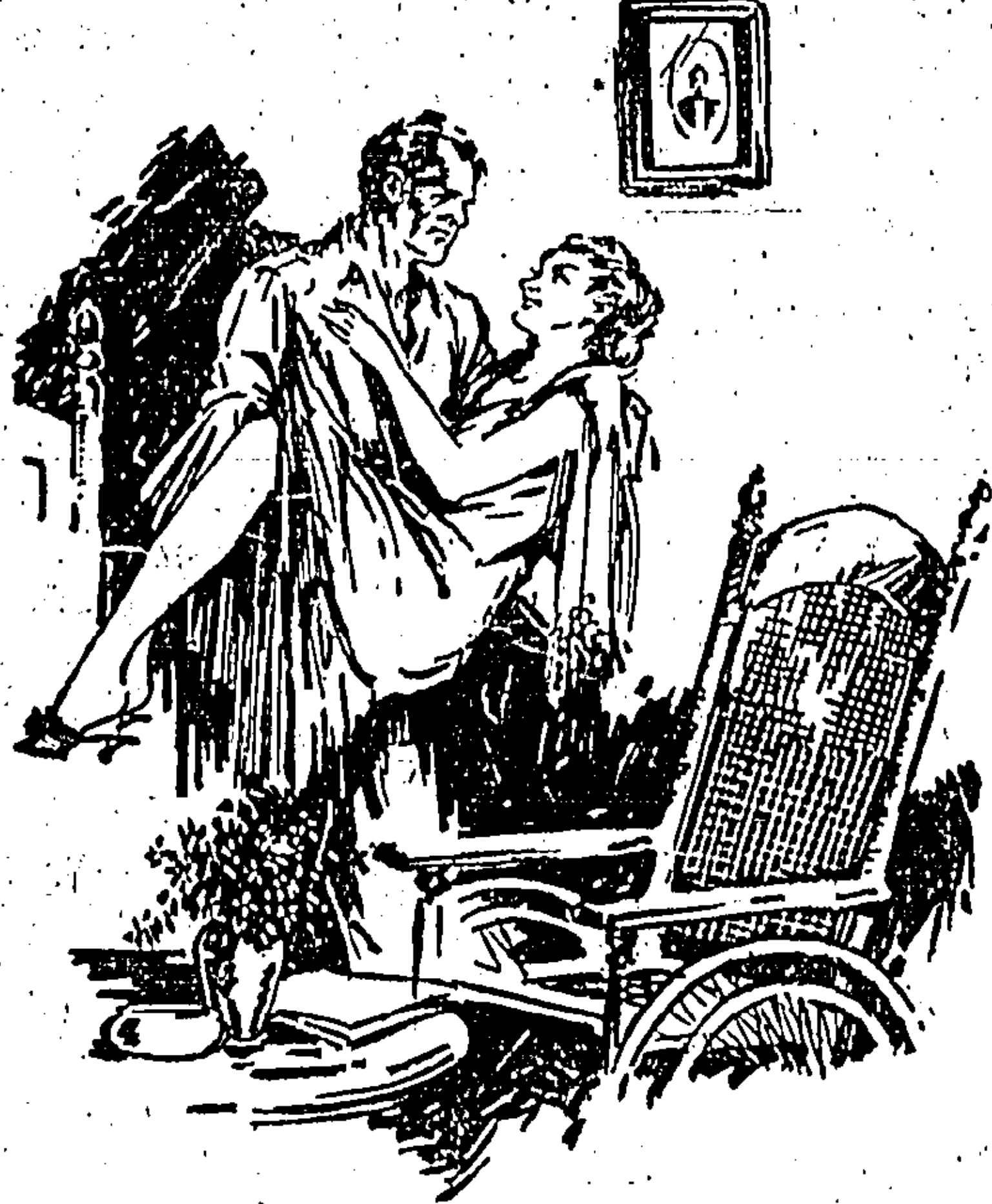
"Heavens!" Donna laughed. "I don't expect to be an invalid that long. I'll be helping you."

Mrs. Planter sniffed and Donna determined to let nothing ruffle her temper, pretended not to hear.

She missed the long afternoons spent with Bill. Now that he was back on the farm he seemed to be busy every moment of the day. When evening arrived Grandfather Sidral came to Donna's room to say the prayers, after which Bill read aloud from the Bible. Always when the old man came to go to his room Bill left with him.

Each evening Donna hoped Bill would return for a chat with her, but he never did. He was always considerate, always kindly, but his manner toward her never in any way hinted at more than cousinly affection.

Donna would lie awake, staring at the star-dotted sky, listening to the myriad of voices that made musical the night air, and wondering if she could be content without Bill's love. Now that she was ill she could be satisfied to see him occasionally or just to hear his voice, but later, when health had returned, would the hunger for his arms, his kisses, for all that his love could offer grow too strong for her? Could she endure



Bill lifted her gently and placed her in the chair.

the crumbs he gave her without hope of more?

Her sorest trial was Mrs. Planter. When the housekeeper saw that Donna did not grow restless and did not seem to long for the arena and the "big top" she became positively venomous. Under every sly remark the woman made Donna could sense the fangs.

"For a girl that ran away from home because she couldn't stand farm life, I must say you're taking this mighty well! But then maybe living with animals and worse'n animals has made you appreciate even a farm house."

"Yes," Donna answered gently. "I told you that you're 'Bill Sidral's cousin or Mattie Blake's nose would be out of joint.'"

"Mattie Blake?"

"Yes, Bill's been right sweet on her since he came out here to live with Amos. Folks kinder with Amos. I make a nut of it. Bill they'd make a nut of it. Mattie is a country girl. No funny notions about her! She'd be satisfied to stay home and raise a family."

"Yes," Donna's heart was beating with wild, irregular thumps. She hoped the vindictive old woman could not hear them.

"You like to fuss around with dilly-dilly-jibbets," the housekeeper continued, dusting the dresser, "but when it comes to marrying and settling down they want something else in a wife. As I says to Mattie's Ma the other day in church, 'You tell me the best way to get a son-in-law, it's just havin' his fling, and, once the newness wears off, he'll come trotting back!'"

Donna's lips were white with anger. "You aren't by any means referring to me as a dilly-dilly-jibbet?" she demanded.

"If the shoe fits, wear it! Any one with half an eye could see why you're not hunkerin' after getting back to your show. And Bill is just silly enough to forget Mattie for a spell, and be took in by your pretenses, but he can't know it, Bill does. It's acain' religion and law for cousins to marry. Yes, ma'am—again! religion and law!"

She whirled out of the room with the righteous air of one who had done a painful duty, no matter what the cost.

Donna's fist clenched and unclenched. Tears of humiliation streamed down her cheeks. She had a crazy impulse to call after the old woman, "But Bill and I are not cousins! I've ever right in the world to love him!"

It was not discretion that stayed her tongue but the name of Mattie Blake. What more natural than that Bill Sidral should have a sweetheart? Certainly he had given no indication of being in love with Donna. He treated her almost as a sister.

Mrs. Planter's evil mind had seen what did not exist, but Donna had no intention of giving her the opportunity for sneering laughter.

If she really had been Madeline she would have demanded the dismissal of the housekeeper, but Donna's own position was too precarious for her to complain. And she was not at all sure that Mrs. Planter did not suspect some of the truth and was merely biding her time to cause trouble.

She was aware that Mrs. Planter spied on her, that she was not above skimming letters to read their contents, and that she would stoop at nothing to marry Grandfather Sidral, thereby securing his small fortune.

Fortunately the brief notes Donna received from Madeline could have been read by any one. The other girl was so determined to carry on the masquerade that it was unnecessary for Donna to warn her to be careful when she wrote.

A light tap on the door made Donna brush away her tears hastily and force a smile to her lips. The door opened before she could say, "Come in," and Bill's dark head appeared. He grinned broadly.

"Awake? That's fine. I've got a surprise for you."

The surprise was a wheel chair. "As your physician," Bill chuckled, "I am prescribing a trip to the garden in this chair for you."

Donna's little cry of joy was smothered against Bill's shirt bosom as he lifted her gently, as though she

were a featherweight, and placed her in the chair. Yet the effort seemed to tire him, for he staggered slightly and his face flushed a deep scarlet.

"Now," he continued in a thickened voice, "we'll trot you out among the flowers."

"Oh, Bill!" the girl whispered. "Oh, Bill!"

His hands trembled as he spread the blanket over her knees, then wrapped a white knitted shawl about her shoulders. Against all reason and all discretion, she yielded to the temptation to rest her cheek against his hand as it touched her shoulder.

Bill drew a deep breath and suddenly jerked his hand away.

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One of the largest, and most representative gatherings of prominent members of the Chinese community was present at the Hongkong Hotel Roof Garden yesterday afternoon, when a tea party was given to the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, in honour of his appointment to the Legislative Council.

The reception was jointly given by members of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, the Tung Wah Hospital and the Po Leung Kuk. The principal hosts were Mr. Li Sing-kul, Vice-Chairman of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, Mr. P. H. Sin, Chairman of the Tung Wah Hospital, and Mr. Ng Yiu-wan, Chairman of the Po Leung Kuk, and all spoke in eulogistic terms of the splendid work done by the Hon. Mr. Lo for those institutions. The Hon. Mr. Lo was made the recipient of a silver rose bowl and vase.

On behalf of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce Mr. Li Sing-kul said: "Gentlemen,—On account of the unavoidable absence of the Chairman, Mr. Wong Kwong-ling, the relevant duty devolved on me, on behalf of all, to extend to the Hon. Mr. Lo Man-kam our heartfelt congratulations upon his appointment as Chinese member of the Legislative Council."

When this function was proposed by the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, it was at once responded to by the Directors of the other two leading Chinese public institutions. I refer to the Tung Wah Hospital and the Po Leung Kuk. This very hearty response fully testifies to the high regard in which the Hon. Mr. Lo is held by the Chinese community. It is in the name of these three public bodies that this simple but nevertheless highly respectful function is given.

I am sure I am voicing the sentiments of all, when I say that the Chinese community have very good reasons to congratulate itself upon having such a fitting and distinguished representative. Indeed, the burden of Chinese representation is now resting on proper shoulders and honour is given to whom honour is due. It is admitted on all sides that Mr. Lo, by virtue of his labour and public spiritedness has earned for himself this great distinction.

You will agree with me that the collaboration of Mr. Lo with such able and distinguished Chinese representatives as the Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, the Hon. Dr. S. W. Tso and the Hon. Mr. T. N. Chau will further ensure the complete safeguarding of Chinese interests.

It is now my duty and privilege to say a few words concerning Mr. Lo and his many activities. I have had the pleasure of knowing Mr. Lo for 20 years, in fact ever since he commenced the practice of law. I must say that even in the early years I had the impression that he would one day distinguish himself in some way.

He is a man of great learning, integrity and perseverance and what is more, he is liked by all those with whom he comes in contact.

**Mr. Lo's Contributions**

Concerning his activities, they are many and varied. I am afraid time does not permit me to even enumerate them. But I must at least mention a few of the principal public services which he has so valuably rendered to the Colony in general and the Chinese community in particular.

For several years Mr. Lo served as a Chinese member on the Sanitary Board, in which capacity he has rendered valuable services in the interest of public health.

He is known as one of the ablest and most successful Chairmen of Directors of the Tung Wah Hospital. Besides these, he had served as Chairman to numerous public bodies such as the Chinese Club, the Chinese Playgoers' Association, the Association for the Protection of Children, etc.

But I wish to take this opportunity to refer particularly to the unique services which Mr. Lo has rendered to the Chinese Chamber of Commerce. They were indeed numerous but I should like to mention three of them.

Firstly, for 15 years he has served as Honorary Legal Adviser to the Chamber, during which time he has rendered numerous valuable services gratuitously and ungrudgingly.

Secondly, the Chamber owed it to him that the memorandum and articles of association of the Chamber were prepared and incorporated this year.

Thirdly, for a number of years he has served as a member of the Executive Committee of the Chamber. In the discharge of his duties he has given much of his valuable time and labour in spite of his manifold duties elsewhere.

It is only fitting therefore that I should take this opportunity to express to Mr. Lo, on behalf of the Chamber, our heartfelt appreciation and gratitude for what he has done. I fully realize that this brief reference to Mr. Lo and his work is totally inadequate and can not do him justice, but it is sufficient to indicate that we have in him a very able and fitting representative of the Chinese community and we should be grateful to the Government for his appointment.

Gentlemen, I ask you to rise and drink with me the health of Mr. Lo, coupled with the name of Mrs. Lo; may they both enjoy many years of happiness, and prosperity. (Applause).

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Mr. Lo, Mr. P. H. Sin (Chairman of the Tung Wah Hospital Board of Directors for 1934-1935) said that it was appropriate if he should briefly review Mr. Lo's most meritorious contributions to the Hospital.

In addition to being the Hospital's permanent Chairman, the Hon. Mr. Lo was the Chairman of Board of Directors of the Tung Wah Hospital in 1929, the year which saw the opening of the Tung Wah Eastern Hospital. Through the untiring effort of Mr. Lo the Hospital was able to obtain \$100,000 in subscription in the short period of three months, which was devoted to the endowment fund of the Tung Wah Eastern Hospital. Needless to say the Tung Wah Eastern Hospital had proved to be a boon for the poorer residents of the eastern side of the city.

Mr. Sin recalled that although he was still in England at that time in 1929, he read in those days that Hongkong was suffering from a water famine and that Mr. Lo was one of the first advocates to appeal to the Government by calling a meeting of the *Kai Fong* resulting in the erection of water tanks along the praya, which did a great deal towards relieving the Chinese community's hardship.

It was also unprecedented, said Mr. Sin, that Mr. M. K. Lo should have been appointed a permanent member of the Tung Wah Hospital in 1932, while his distinguished father, the late Mr. Lo Cheung-shu, also occupied the same post in 1928. Mr. Lo's work with the Sanitary Board was too well known to all for him to review in detail.

Mr. Sin concluded by offering the Tung Wah Hospital's and the other Chinese institutions' hearty congratulations to Mr. Lo on his recent appointment to the Legislative Council.

**Po Leung Kuk's Message**

As Chairman of the Po Leung Kuk, Mr. Ng Yiu-wan also spoke briefly, in Chinese, wishing a great future for Mr. Lo; saying that it was with pleasure he recalled the long period of over ten years when the late Mr. Lo Cheung-shu directed the affairs and progress of the Po Leung Kuk as one of its directors.

**Hon. Mr. Lo's Reply**

Speaking in Chinese, the Hon. Mr. Lo replied suitably. The gist of his speech may be rendered as follows: "Mr. Chairman, Committee Members and Gentlemen,—I am very grateful to-day for the kindness and courtesy extended to me by the three important institutions, the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce, the Tung Wah Hospital and the Po Leung Kuk, in entertaining me at this function, and in giving me the pleasure of their presence."

I feel gratified by the kind presence of the Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, the Hon. Mr. T. N. Chau, and my father-in-law, Sir Robert Ho Tung. I am happy that Sir Robert has recovered from his recent illness, and is thus able to attend this function.

I know that I do not deserve the eulogies of the three chairmen. It is an undoubted fact that the goodwill of the whole of the Chinese community of Hongkong centred round the three institutions, whose past and present members of the committees, all prominent gentlemen in the Colony, so worthily maintain the splendid tradition of devoted service to the general welfare of the community.

I feel I can claim some close connection with all these three institutions. My father, the late Mr. Lo Cheung-shu, did his best for all three institutions, and was an intimate friend and collaborator of many present to-day. As regards the Chamber of Commerce and the Tung Wah, I have acted as honorary legal adviser for many years. As regards the Po Leung Kuk, its committee members, as I have said, are all well-known and highly respected. For instance, the former chairman, Mr. Tam Woon-tong, with whom I have had long and friendly relations, served two terms as chairman, and it is due to the energy and zeal of Mr. Tam and his colleagues that we have the present fine and imposing Po Leung Kuk building. In 1932, under the chairmanship of Mr. Tang Shiu-kin, I received the appointment as Honorary Legal Adviser to that institution.

In narrating the above, I do so not out of conceit for any little service I may have rendered to these institutions, but to emphasize my long and friendly relations with round these three institutions, and as a member of the Legislative Council, I must rely on their advice and assistance. If, in memory of my long and friendly association with these institutions, you will readily render that advice and assistance to me, and, deeming that I am not too unworthy to be taught, you will condescend to teach me, then I feel that the benefit I shall have obtained from this pleasant function will be great indeed, and I shall be overwhelmingly grateful. In thanking you, I wish these three great institutions many thousands of years of prosperity, and I wish you all excellent health. (Applause).

**FAIRLEA SCHOOL**

**MOVE TO KOWLOON NEXT YEAR**

The removal of the Fairlea School from Kowloon to more commodious premises in Kowloon was envisaged by the Principal, speaking at the annual speech day and presentation of prizes yesterday. Mrs. W. K. Cheung said this action was being taken in response to a general desire on the part of parents for more advanced tuition entailing more classes and accommodation.

Mrs. Ts'o, wife of the Hon. Mr. S. W. Ts'o, presented the prizes, and commended the staff and pupils on the progress made. Bishop R. O. Hall presided and there was a large attendance of parents and friends.

Mrs. Cheung, in the course of her report said: "Since we welcomed you here last year, eighteen months have elapsed. The reason why we have begun the Speech Day in September instead of January, therefore we also alter our graduation day from Spring to Autumn. It is a great pleasure to have Mrs. Ts'o, an old friend of the school, to come to distribute the certificates, and to have the Bishop in the chair. In the name of the school I thank them very much."

The number of students on roll this year is similar to that of last year. We have 100 day girls and 40 boarders. The day girls have shown their corporate school spirit and remarkable sense of duty by attending school every day even during the rainy season. The boarders too on the whole always pay attention to their evening preparation classes.

There is a slight change on the Staff. Miss Pope went back to England in February and her furlough will expire next Spring when we look forward to her resuming her duty in the hostel. Meanwhile we have Miss Hancock taking Miss Pope's place. She is well educated and sympathetic and she not only helps the boarders to lead a joyful hostel life, but pays careful attention to their health. We are fortunate to have her in the house and we thank her very much. We also welcome Mrs. S. P. Chinn and Misses Dora King, Au Yuet-chen, Yung Tip-shou, Wong Tsai-ling, Chu Yuk-ling, Lok Yuen-han and Westcott. The Staff. We also extend our thanks to Mrs. Li, Mrs. Lal and Miss Au who have come to fill the gaps in the absence of some of the teachers.

**Sport and Charity**

In the Spring the Old Girls' Association was established. There are many members and it consists of both elder and younger sets. The inaugural meeting was a happy gathering indeed.

In the Summer as usual we lent three classes to the Summer Poor School. On Sundays our students and the students of St. Stephen's Girls' College go in turns to visit the sick in the hospitals. They also joined together and opened the Annual M.C.L. Bazaar to raise funds for the M.C.L. and the different charities both in Hongkong and inland China. In May six girls took part in a lantern dance given as an item in a Concert at King's College on behalf of the Cancer Campaign. In December some of our girls acted a Xmas Play for the Church Bazaar.

In the realm of sport, progress has been made. We have net ball matches with other schools and the girls enjoy their games very much. Some of our students entered a running team for an Invitation Race at St. Paul's College sports and came in third. The thirteen year-old swimmer, Au Yuet-chiu, a Hongkong Representative at present in Shanghai for the National Athletic Meet in one of our present Junior Middle School students. This indicates that our students take great interest in sports as well as in school work.

With regard to religious welfare we are glad to report that four Senior Middle School students were baptized in St. Stephen's Church last Xmas and seven students were confirmed in St. Stephen's Church and Holy Trinity Church last Easter.

**Middle Schools**

Our school was opened in 1886 and at that time aimed only at a Higher Primary Standard, but during the last few years the standard has been much higher and with each year's result better than the last, the parents feel it is necessary for us to have a Middle School opened for their children. So that they may study more advanced Chinese, therefore we, complying with the parents' wishes started a Junior Middle School in 1930, then opened a Senior Middle School in 1932. The first lot of Junior Middle School graduates in 1932 was nine in number, and in 1933 eight girls graduated from the Junior Middle School. This year we have nine Junior Middle School graduates and 28 Higher Primary graduates.

We feel this is quite a satisfactory result, but as we have added more classes, we require more class rooms. It is very kind of Miss Atkins to lend us class rooms from the St. Stephen's Girls' College for the time being; however we have to arrange for the future. So it is a very difficult problem to solve. Fortunately our Bishop, the Chairman of our Council helped to think out a new plan which can be helpful to us and others. We have had several committee meetings to discuss this plan which is that we move over to Kowloon. Provision will be made for Vernacular Kindergarten and Primary Education for children in this area.

Our new school plan is ready and we shall start building soon. When

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It is finished next year, we shall move in probably in Autumn. A new page will begin in the history of our school, but as for the old tradition and tone, we will always keep up and continue in the best way for we trust that with God's help, we can fulfil our desire, as we believe in what St. Paul says, "I can do all things through Christ that strengtheneth me."

**Certificate Awards**  
Mrs. Ts'o presented Higher Primary School Graduates' certificates to Cheung Kam-hang, Lee Lok-chun, Au Tin-chun, Chiu Yan-lin, Ng Piu-kau, Fong Lai-hung, Cheung Wai-fong, Ng Shuk-fong, Wong Yim-yin, Wong Wai-ling, Lee Wai-ying, Sung Ngan-yun, Tsui Ka-sui, Lo O-ying, Tsang Lai-yung, Leung Woon-wa, Tse So-ling, Leung Yuet-ching, Lee Wai-mui, Paul Yung, Pang Sik-ping, Mo Yung Wai-ling, Mok So-lan, Wong Po-lan, Tam Wai-lin, Pang Shuk-

ling, Mo Yung Wai-sun and Tam Sau-chee.

Junior Middle School Graduates' certificates went to Cheung Yuet-ling, Lee Wai-lan, Ma Chuen-hei, Ma Kwan-hoi, Wong Sau-wa, Au Po-yin, Chan Ol-chun, Lee Pui-fong, and Lee Tso-pung.

**GUNNERY PRACTICE**

R.A. TO USE LIVE SHELLS ON OCTOBER 30

Military Headquarters announce that gun practice with live ammunition will be carried out from Tak-shan Fort in the direction of Junk Island on Wednesday, October 30, between the hours of 8.30 a.m. and 11.30 a.m., and later the same day between the hours of 6 p.m. and 9 p.m.



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**ITALY SEEKS DELAY OF SANCTIONS**

**NEGOTIATIONS  
FOR PEACE**  
**DIPLOMATS MIGHT  
BE EMBARRASSED**  
**BRITAIN FEARS LONG  
ECONOMIC WAR**

(SPECIAL TO "TELEGRAPH")  
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Rome, Oct. 23.  
It is learned that Signor Mussolini has decided to ask the British and French Governments to delay the application of League of Nations sanctions against Italy.  
He hopes thus to facilitate international diplomatic negotiations which may lead towards a settlement of the Italo-Ethiopian dispute, it is believed.—United Press.  
MAY TAKE MONTHS  
London, Oct. 23.  
It will likely be some months before the effect of the League of Nations economic sanctions begins to be felt, declared Lord Stanhope, speaking at the resumption of the Foreign Affairs debate in the House of Commons to-day.

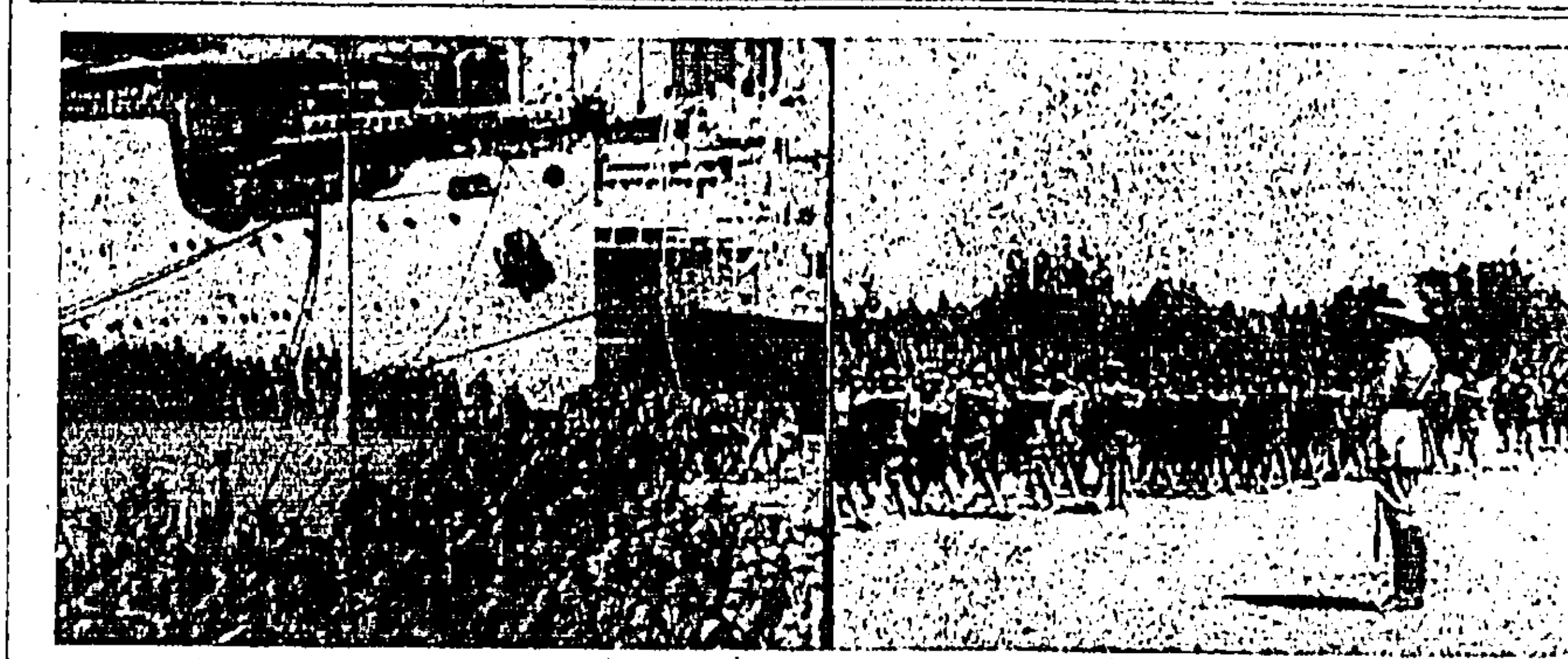
**REFUSE TO DELAY**  
Rome, Oct. 23.  
Efforts to ease the Anglo-Italian tension continue.  
However, it appears they are meeting with no immediate success. Whether Britain will reduce the Mediterranean fleet or not has not been decided.  
It is reported in London that the British Government has rejected the request to delay the application of sanctions. Nevertheless, a spokesman here announced that the tri-party conferences indicated a relaxation of tension. He added that there was no real room for optimism until the sanctions machinery was halted.—United Press.

**INDEPENDENT ACTION**  
San Francisco, Oct. 23.  
Longshoremen quit loading an Italian freighter, the Cellina, to-day.  
They contended the cargo of copra could be used in the manufacture of nitro-glycerine, included in the International Labour Association's list of embargoed materials of war destined for Italy.—United Press.  
But, he continued, it takes some months it will come almost simultaneously with the disillusionment of Italy, when she realises what she has undertaken.  
"Probably by this time next year we may have found proposals for a settlement, though I hope they will come earlier," he said.  
Lord Stanhope argued from this the desirability of an immediate election in Great Britain to ensure that the country would have a strong and established Government to deal with the problem to be settled.

**TAKE TOO LONG**  
Lord Lothian said he hoped that economic sanctions against Italy would suffice, but confessed he was horrified at the lightness with which Lord Stanhope said that the Government did not contemplate any appreciable effect from the League penalties until next year.  
"Are we going to wait three or even twelve months doing nothing but inflicting on the Italian people economic sanctions?"  
"Peace must be restored by the year's end to prevent a worse catastrophe. The League must face the present conditions and produce real disarmament," declared Lord Lothian.  
The possibility of a League of Nations administration in Ethiopia was envisaged by Baron Noel-Buxton. "We shall have to face (Continued on Page 4.)"

**REMOVING  
LIBYA  
DIVISION**  
**ITALY ACTS UPON  
ASSURANCES**  
**GESTURE OF  
GOOD-WILL**  
Paris, Oct. 23.  
Italy will inform M. Pierre Laval, the French Prime Minister, that she is ready to withdraw one of her three divisions from Libya.—Reuter.  
**ALREADY MOVED?**  
Paris, Oct. 23.  
The Foreign Affairs Committee of the Chamber of Deputies has announced that Italy has withdrawn one of three divisions of troops which she had stationed in Libya.—United Press.  
**BRITAIN UNDECIDED**  
London, Oct. 23.  
It is understood that the British response to the Italian decision to withdraw troops from Libya has not yet been decided upon. It is pointed out that Italy will still have two fighting divisions in Libya.  
Meanwhile, in London opinion is contrary to the suggestion that the Italian decision is unconditional.  
Reuter has learned from an "authoritative spokesman" in Rome that if the report that Britain has ordered the withdrawal of two battalions from the Mediterranean is confirmed Italy might withdraw part of her forces from Libya.  
It is understood there was no request for a reciprocal gesture from Britain; however, and that the Italian order for the withdrawal of a division from Libya was due to improved Anglo-Italian relations, resulting from Sir Samuel Hoare's speech in the House of Commons yesterday and Sir Eric Drummond's assurances to Signor Mussolini.—Reuter.

**ORDER GIVEN**  
London, Oct. 23.  
The Foreign Office announces that the Italian Government has (Continued on Page 4.)



Italian and Ethiopian troops have concentrated on two fronts and a battle is reportedly raging in the south, along the Webbe Shibeli River valley. Above, left, the Italian soldiers are pictured landing in East Africa on their way to the fighting lines, and right, Ethiopians are marching up to the front, in charge of foreign officers.—Fox Movie Tone News.

**BALDWIN  
EXPECTS  
VICTORY**  
**FEELS GOVERNMENT  
PERFECTLY SAFE**  
**MANIFESTOES  
PREPARING**  
London, Oct. 23.  
On the resumption of the foreign affairs debate in the House of Commons this afternoon, Mr. Stanley Baldwin, the Prime Minister, announced that the General Election would take place on November 14, the new Parliament would assemble on November 26 for the election of a Speaker, and the State opening of Parliament would take place on December 3.  
Mr. Baldwin, in defending a Dissolution, thought it would be perfectly safe for the Government to have an election soon, but he could not say the same if the election were postponed until next January.  
Prior to the Commons debate, the Cabinet had this morning and is understood to have discussed the election statement to be made later by the Premier in the House.  
Election manifestoes are being issued this week-end by Mr. Baldwin for the National Conservatives, by Sir John Simon for the National Liberals, and by Mr. Ramsay MacDonald for the National Labourites.

To-day's meeting of the Cabinet lasted two hours. It will probably be the last under the present Parliament, though the Cabinet will be responsible for the government of the country until the new Parliament is elected.—Reuter.  
**Confidence In America**  
**ROOSEVELT GIVES  
WORD OF HOPE**  
Charleston, Oct. 23.  
Confidence in America's recovery was expressed by President Roosevelt, speaking in this South Carolina town to-day.  
He was given an enthusiastic reception on landing at the conclusion of his holiday cruise aboard the U.S.S. Houston.  
He delivered short speech about conditions in the United States.  
"We are on the way back, not just by pure chance, but just by the turn of the cycle. We are coming back sounder than ever before, because we have planned that way. Don't let anyone tell you differently."  
"There are many problems still ahead," he added. "I shall make it my great and earnest effort to keep the country free and unentangled with any great war that may occur in countries across the sea."—Reuter.

**CHESS MASTERS MATCHED**  
Amsterdam, Oct. 24.  
The present series in the world's chess championship series being played here is, Alchine, the holder, five, Max Euwe, two, drawn two.—Reuter Special.

**MARKETS  
WILDLY  
FLUCTUATE**  
**H.K. DOLLAR DOWN  
NEARLY HALFPENNY**  
**REACTION TO  
SPECULATION?**  
There was no change in the official rate of the Hongkong dollar this afternoon. The official quotation is 1s. 11 3/4d. In the market, purely nominal rates are 1s. 11d. sellers and 1s. 11 1/8d. buyers. No business is passing, the market being demoralised.  
Gold bars have shown a dramatic rise in Shanghai. To-day at one time they touched 1,085, representing a 100-point rise over yesterday's quotation. Later, the price declined to 1,077.  
The gold bar advance is believed to be due to the activities of speculators in Shanghai, who believe that China may possibly devalue her currency down to the level of the yen, about 1s. 2d. There has been heavy buying by speculators who are said to be overbought to an extent of at least £4,500,000. Should the rumours prove false, a sharp reaction is expected.  
Despite the fact that silver prices were unchanged in London (Continued on Page 4.)

**NO EMBARGO**  
The Hongkong Government does not intend to place any embargo on the export of silver dollars at the present juncture.  
The authorities are aware of the danger of a drain upon the resources of the colony if the dollar falls below export parity, but assert there is no foundation for the rumour that an embargo is being contemplated.  
Yesterday, the Hongkong dollar dropped no less than 3/8ths this morning, the official quotation on opening being 1s. 11 3/8d. There has been a decline of 5/8ths since Monday.  
The fall is largely attributed to weakness of exchange in Shanghai; to-day's rate being 1s. 4 1/2d, which represents a drop of two pence in the past fortnight.  
The local market is somewhat demoralised, rates being nominal, being quoted at 1s. 11 1/2d. and 1s. 11 5/8d, but practically no business is doing. The tone is very uncertain.  
The opinion prevails in banking circles that if the dollar declines further, some action will be necessary, in the way of an embargo on export of dollars, or otherwise, since there would be a distinct danger of the Colony being denuded of its silver currency.  
In London yesterday, with silver prices unaltered, America bought, while India and China sold, the market being quietly steady.

**SHANGHAI PANIC**  
Shanghai, Oct. 24.  
Rates on the foreign exchange market are purely nominal this morning at the opening.  
There was a panic on the gold bar market on an unconfirmed (Continued on Page 4.)

**FIRE ON  
ALTADENA  
BORDERS**  
**FIERCE FOREST  
BLAZE**  
**ONE KILLED  
ALREADY**  
Los Angeles, Oct. 23.  
Two thousand men are battling here with one of the most destructive forest fires to have occurred in Southern California for years.  
The fire broke out on the slopes of Mount Wilson and so far it has caused one death, while scores of people have been overcome by the smoke and heat. Thirty houses, a sanatorium and a scenic railway on the mountain have been destroyed.  
The local authorities have appealed to San Francisco for assistance, and a number of fire-fighting experts have been rushed to the spot to combat the flames, which are being fanned by a 50-mile an hour gale and are steadily eating into the fashionable district of Altadena.—Reuter.

**250 HOSPITAL CASES**  
Los Angeles, Oct. 23.  
Fires which are licking through the foothills on a 76-mile area surrounding Los Angeles are still not under control after destroying 100 houses and causing 250 people to be sent to hospital.  
A 57-mile-an-hour wind has snapped numerous power lines stranding eight separate blazes and sending the flames roaring through the grass like tinder, due to the recent heat wave.  
Rescuers are fighting through the blackened area attempting to reach 47 convicts who are cut off in a corral at a canyon road camp.

**MOVIE STARS IN DANGER**  
In Altadena, the blaze has been got under control, but the flames have swept the Lido, Decker, Sequet and Tujunga canyons and devastated a beach at one spot, destroying the resort homes at the Pacific edge.  
At Malibu Beach, the fashionable movie colony awaits an order to evacuate. The residents include Constance and Joan Bennett, Raquel Torres, Edmund Lowe, Louise Fazenda, Corinne Griffith, Neil Hamilton and Richard Barthelmess.—United Press.

**Famous Jockey  
Arrested**  
**FACING CHARGE OF  
MURDER**  
Louisville, Ky., Oct. 23.  
United States turf circles were in the grip of a sensation to-day following the arrest of America's star jockey, Willie "Smookey" Saunders, winner of the Kentucky Derby this year, and the charging of the young rider with murder.  
He is charged in connection with the death of Mrs. Evelyn Silwinski, whose body, badly beaten and apparently run over by a motor car, was found on the road near here on Sunday after a party at which she was present.—Reuter.

**HEAVY FIGHTING  
IN PROGRESS**  
**PITCHED BATTLE IN  
PROSPECT**

**GORAHAI MUST BE HELD  
ETHIOPIANS TOLD**

Addis Ababa, Oct. 23.  
A heavy engagement between troops commanded by Ras Desta, on the right wing of the Webbs Shibeli River front, and a strong Italian force, has commenced, according to unconfirmable reports reaching here.  
Gorahai must be held at all costs, is the order sent to Ras Desta, who will in all probability throw his army into the first pitched battle of the campaign.  
Ras Desta must defend a line from Gorahai to Jijiga, in which he has 300,000 men, lacking modern arms and equipment. With these he must contend with a force of some 140,000 Italians, who are supported by heavy artillery, tanks and aircraft. The Italians are native troops for the most part.

**BIG PLANE  
RACING TO  
HONGKONG**  
**IMPERIAL AIR MAIL  
EXPERIMENT**  
**12 HOURS FROM  
PENANG**  
From Penang to Hongkong in just over 12 hours is the record which the Imperial Airways plane, Dorado, hopes to establish on arriving here to-morrow.  
The plane, which is piloted by Captain W. Armstrong, is expected to leave Penang at 3 a.m. to-morrow on another of the series of experimental flights being undertaken in connection with the eventual linking up of Hongkong with the Imperial Airways service. The previous flights have been for the purposes of survey, but the present is the first under service conditions.  
Only one stop is being made at Tourane where the plane will refuel and then immediately resume its flight.  
The plane was originally scheduled to leave Penang at 6 a.m. to-day, but the departure was delayed in order to enable it to meet two other Imperial Airways planes—one from Australia and the other from England.  
The Dorado is expected to remain in Hongkong until Tuesday, when the return trip will commence, the plane being scheduled to reach Penang on the following day.

**JUNKERS PLANE COMING**  
A big Junkers freight and passenger plane, to be added to the Eurasia Aviation Corporation's fleet employed in China services, left Bangkok to-day, bound for Hanoi, from which a direct flight will be made to Hongkong. The plane is expected here during the week-end.  
The machine, which is of the monoplane type, has an overall wing spread of 96.9 feet, a length of 62 feet and a height of 14.10 feet, with wing area of 1,190 feet.  
The plane is fitted with three Hornet T.I.C. engines and is capable of a speed of 177.6 m.p.h. Captain Kasper is in command.

**ENGAGEMENT PENDING**  
All reports, according to latest information, indicate that a major battle is impending, though still there is no confirmation of action.  
It is more certain, now, however, that Ras Desta's right wing has been heavily engaged in the Webbe Shibeli country with General Graziani's left wing.  
Many military observers here believe that General Graziani will make a further thrust northwards next week, seeking to penetrate the Ethiopian lines and turn the battle into a rout.—Reuter.  
**MASSING IN COVER**  
Harrar, Oct. 23.  
The Ethiopians are secretly massing in the deep bush country south of Harrar, in the Jijiga region, preparing for a tremendous battle, it is learned on good authority.—United Press.

**ANXIOUS TO ATTACK**  
Addis Ababa, Oct. 23.  
The northern Ethiopian armies, estimated at 1,000,000 men, are begging their commanders to let them attack the Italian positions at Adigrat, Adowa and Aksum.  
The Italian line is held by 180,000 men.  
Emperor Selassie is reserving his decision.—United Press.

**WIDOW GIVEN  
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**IMPERIAL AIRWAYS  
LOSES CASE**  
(Special to "Telegraph")  
London, Oct. 24.  
Damages of £4,000 were awarded against the Imperial Airways in a King's Bench decision on the claim of the wife of the late Mr. Louis Grein, killed December 30, 1933, when an airliner crashed into a radio mast in Belgium, killing ten.  
The defendant company denied negligence, and urged that in any event their liability did not exceed 125,000 francs.  
Mr. Justice Lewis found the pilot competent and fearless but that falling to get wireless messages or to pick up a landmark, he should have returned to Brussels.  
Stay of execution was granted pending the possibility of an appeal.—Reuter Special.





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### DISASTER NEED NOT HAVE OCCURRED

**Capt. Macmillan Tells How It Might Have Been Averted**

ON an October Sunday five years ago the world was appalled to learn that the British airship R 101 had crashed in flames in France with the loss of 48 lives.

Now for the first time the story is told of doubts during the last few hours before the airship was due to leave Cardington for India—the story of Sir W. Sefton Brancker, the Director of Civil Aviation, of whom it is declared:

"If the decision had rested with him whether the R 101 should have left, the disaster might have been averted."

The full story is told in a book "Sefton Brancker" by Captain Norman Macmillan, president of the National League of Air-

men.  
 Capt. Macmillan tells a vivid story of Sir Sefton on the day of the flight "seeing the writing on the wall."

Capt. Macmillan tells this story of the R101 disaster:

Can it be said that Brancker started off confident in the success of the Enterprise? I do not think it can.

To be confident in an airship service does not mean that one is confident in a particular ship or conditions. And there is every starting out under particular reason to believe that Brancker was a competent judge of the merit of a particular ship.

There are things which he left behind—private letters which show that Brancker was doubtful if the R 101 would start for India according to programme.

Ordinarily Brancker was vivacious. He did not betray nerves in his eyes, or in his hands by the finger of objects. Some time after his death Lieut-Commander S. Deacon, R.N. (retired), then aerodrome officer in charge at Lympne, told me he had to call on Brancker at his office on the morning of October 4, before he went down to Cardington.

He knew Brancker well, and had never seen him nervous before. But that morning he was fidgety; he fingered the ornaments on the mantelpiece. His manner was noticeably different.

**Not Satisfied**  
 Brancker knew that everything had not been right with the ship—his letters prove it. He evidently saw the writing on the wall and knew that the future had suddenly turned void. Mentally he was numbed and could not recover his vision.

Yet stoical, soldier to the last, he went on to Cardington. Surely the ship would not start? But it did, and he was in it when it went. What was the trouble with the ship? The structure was all right. That was proved. But the gas bags had been chafing. It had been reported. Brancker must have known. Probably Thomson also.

This is Captain Macmillan's conclusion:  
 "No one was to blame. No one ever is in such a case, for the final decision rests with those who go on board, and of them the senior man has the last word."  
 "Had Brancker been that man the disaster might have been averted."

### HAUPTMANN WRITES AUTOBIOGRAPHY

Trenton, Oct. 18.

While waiting in the death-house of the gaol here, Bruno Richard Hauptmann has written "The Story of my Life," an autobiography. The prison board voted to withhold permission to publish this work until the Court of Error and Appeals made its decision as to whether Hauptmann would be

### EVEN A FISHERMAN COULDN'T BEAT THIS

New York, Oct. 15.—Fishesman's tales of two on three fish on one hook were rivalled here by the feat of two detectives who caught seven pickpockets working on one man!  
 The man was asleep on a subway station bench. The detectives watched him three hours, caught seven men with their hands in his pockets, and then had to shake him vigorously to wake him.—United Press.

### TO CHINA VIA THE ARCTIC

**RUSSIA'S PLANS TO EXPLOIT OLD N.E. PASSAGE**  
 Moscow, Oct. 10.

AFTER defying the efforts of explorers of all nations for the past 500 years, the North-East Passage—the Arctic Sea route from the Far East to Europe—is at last proved to be safe for regular commercial traffic.

Such is the claim advanced by the Government of Soviet Russia; following the successful voyages by four ordinary freighters, two plying from Vladivostok to the Murmansk and two in the opposite direction.

Russia's Northern Sea Route Administration, headed by the explorer Professor Otto Schmidt, is vigorously developing its plans to extend the navigation period beyond the two midsummer months to which it is so far limited.

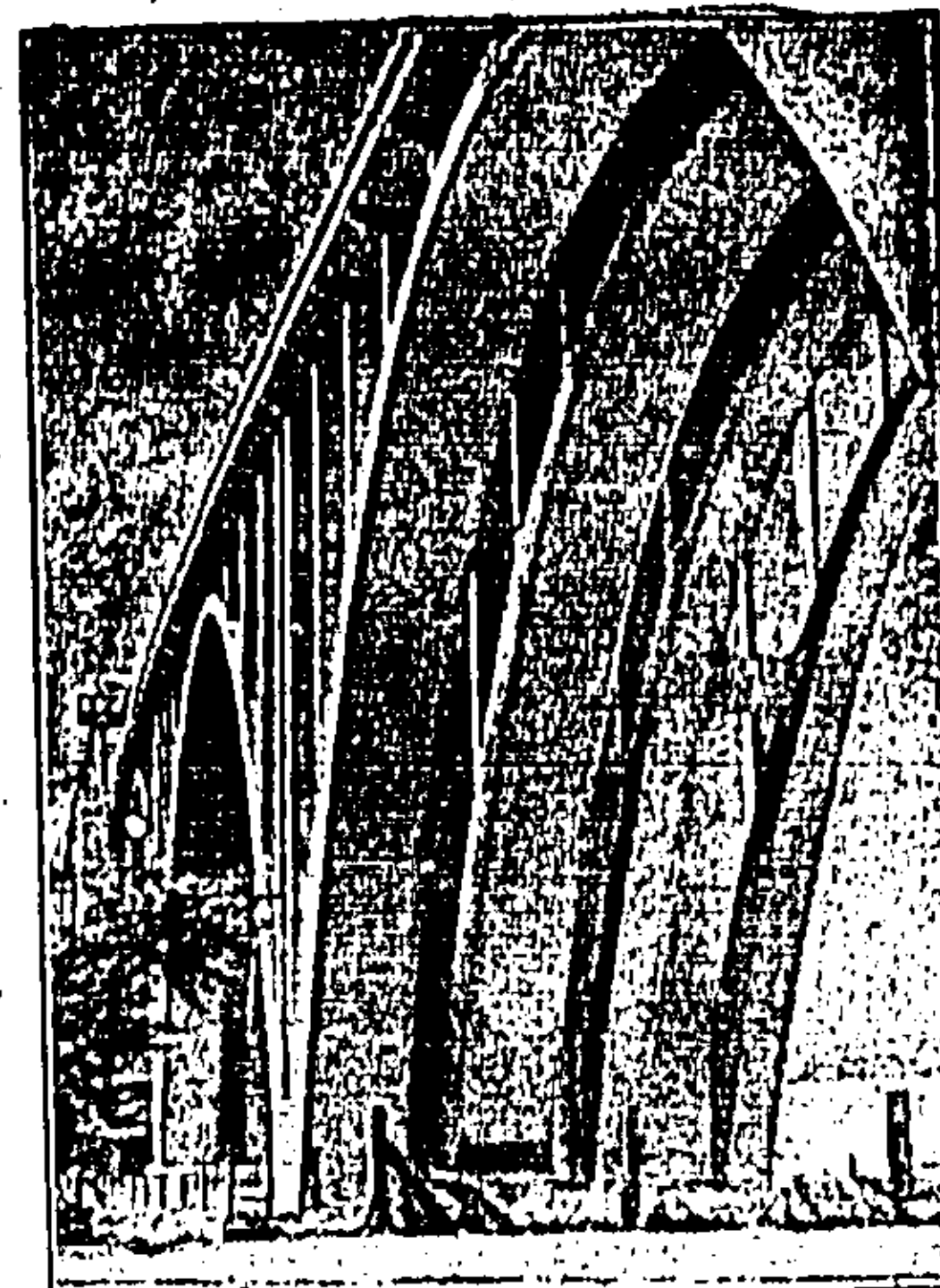
**Gulf Stream**  
 Stronger icebreakers are to be stationed along the northern coasts of Europe and Asia and the Kremlin expects soon to develop the Arctic route as a commercial proposition on an immense scale.

Meanwhile Russian scientists are to continue their search for the path of the Gulf Stream, which is believed by some to maintain an ice-free passage all the year round—in the vicinity of the North Pole.

Russia is determined to find an adequate means of transport for the rich natural resources of Northern Siberia—hitherto almost untapped—and at the same time to relieve the congestion on the Trans-Siberian Railway.

granted a new trial.

The 60,000 word manuscript, originally written in German, has been translated into English and typewritten. It is reported that Hauptmann was offered U.S. \$20,000 for the work.



German engineers constructed this gigantic bridge across the Little Belt in Denmark.

### French Academy Completes New Dictionary

**"BAR" ADMITTED BUT NOT "YANKEE"**

Paris, Oct. 1.—The French Academy this evening completed its standard dictionary of the French language, on which it has been working for 50 years. Among the last 13 words to be examined this week was "zut."

After a careful survey this afternoon the Academicians decided to include the word with the following definition: "A familiar interjection to send people to the Devil." The Duc de Broglie was among the sponsors of "zut."

An idea of the work entailed in revising the old standard dictionary and incorporating the new words may be gained from the fact that it took the Academie two years to work through the letter "M" alone. One of the chief discussions which took place during these two years was over the word "midnette," which was finally rejected.

Once the letter "M" had been completed the work of revision was speeded up. The letters N to Z were completed during the last two or three years.

### War Slang

Numerous war words, some of which were originally considered as slang, have been admitted into the dictionary and have become "French." These include "pollu" (a French soldier), "camouflage" and "pinard" (the soldiers' slang term for wine).

The English words "destroyer" and "interview" have also been admitted as French. Other words that have been accepted include "bar" (for drinking), "cable" (to cable), "linoleum" and "garage." Certain swear words have also been admitted, but are noted as "vulgar."

Only a few days ago the Academicians rejected the word "Yankee," even though it is currently used in France, on the grounds that it might offend American susceptibilities.

The new dictionary is the eighth edition. It will appear in two volumes next month. The first edition was brought out by the Academie in 1694 and presented to Louis XIV. at Fontainebleau.

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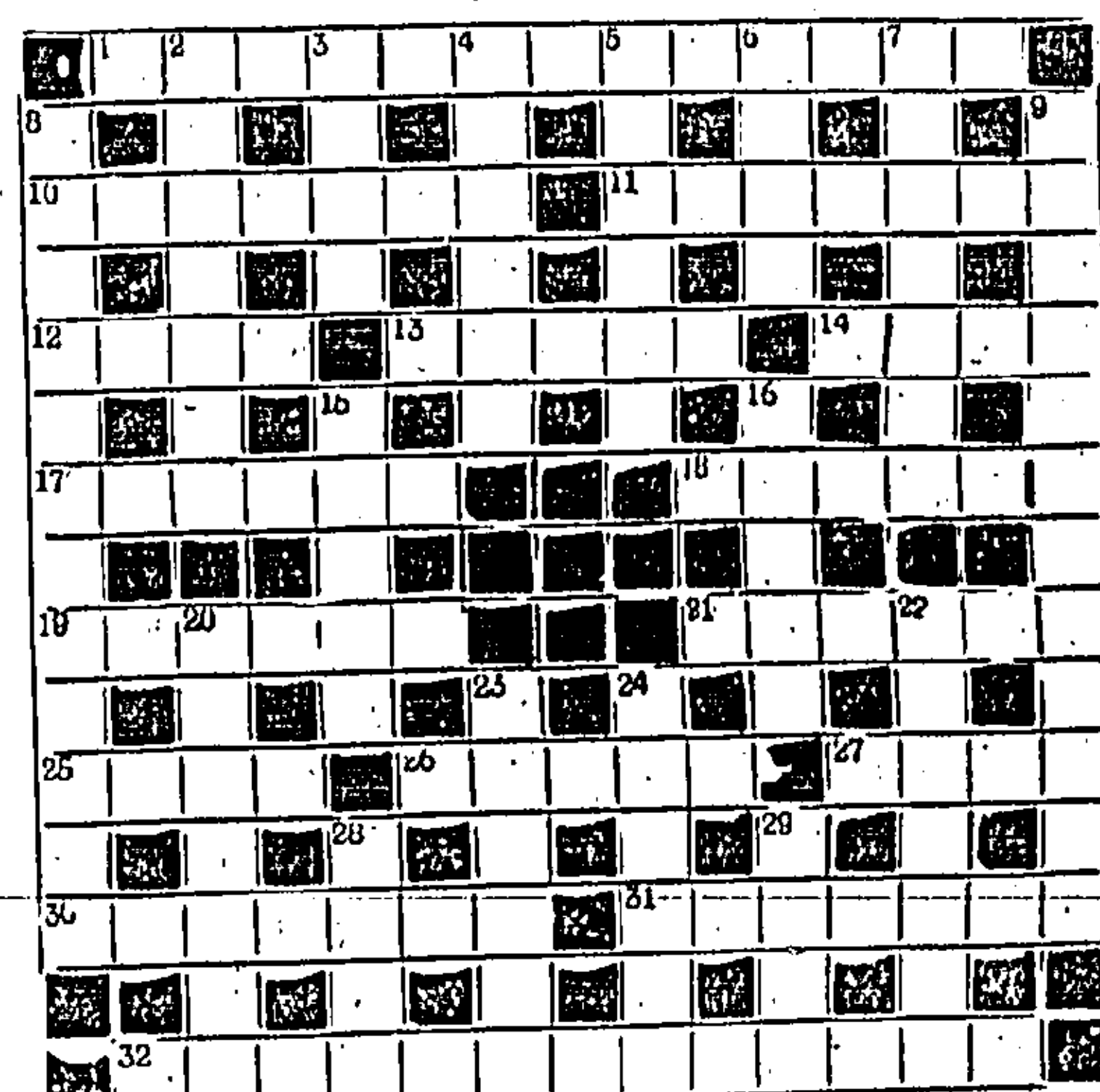
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- 12 This is all vile and twisted.
- 13 Business transactions at Contract Bridge?
- 14 This part of a mimic army is easily separated.
- 17 Corners.
- 18 Gone for a drink with the gees.
- 19 A letter of reward is sweet.
- 21 Anger is shown by one who sees this phenomenon.
- 25 One over the eight.
- 26 Truly this is a test of sobriety!
- 27 Musical instrument.
- 30 Knock down—but not in the ring.
- 31 Granted it might be useful to the fisherman.
- 32 Figures are his strong point, but he may be no judge of beauty.

#### Down

- 2 Investing, but not in the usual way.
- 3 In which a smash may produce a scar.
- 4 The ship is safe when this is done.
- 5 They use this differently at football and fishing.
- 6 When these go to the head they make it upside down.
- 7 Shuffle.

- 8 A taste Ireland tends to show she controls.
- 9 Something has got mixed up here, obviously.
- 15 Essex is the abode of both males and females.
- 16 Also this—
- 20 —is more humorous.
- 22 European country.
- 23 Keep silence, about the custom in this truly British edifice.
- 24 An outlaw. Say it with music.
- 25 As you were.
- 28 14.

#### Yesterday's Solution

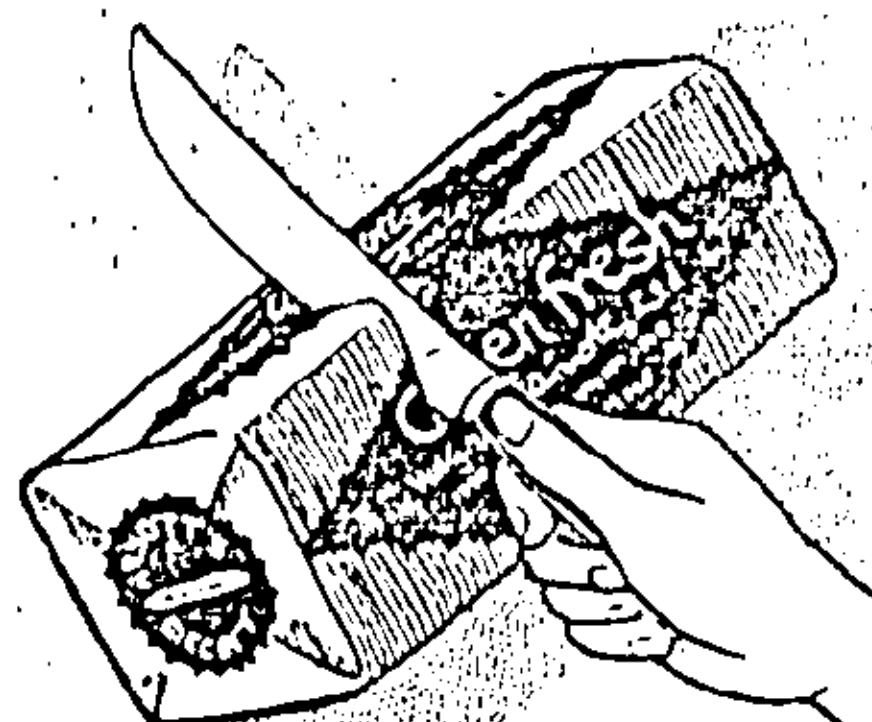
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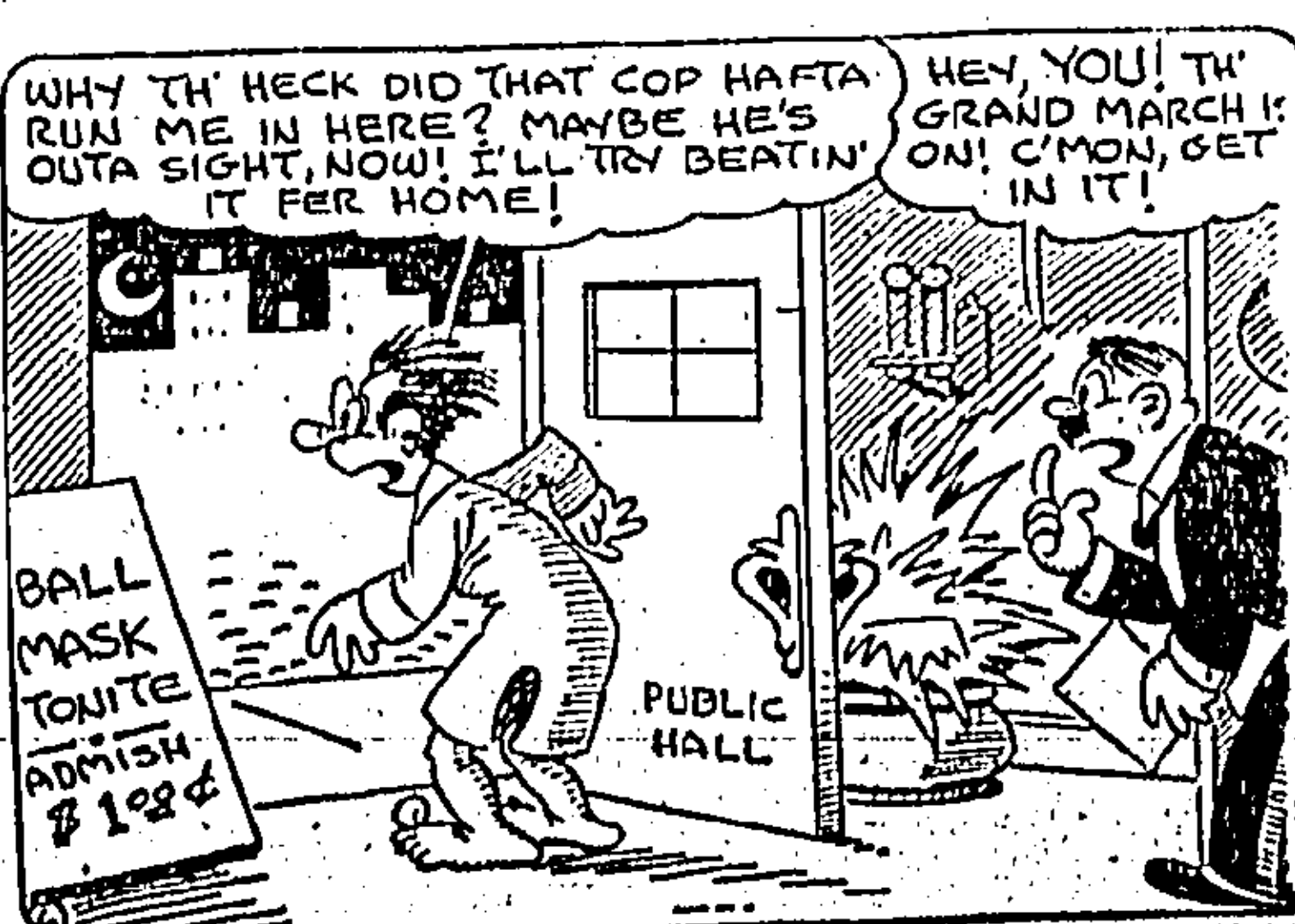
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# Closure Of Suez Canal Would Seriously Affect Far East

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## SHIPPING VIA THE CAPE

Possible Italo-British Mediterranean Struggle Would Divert Commerce Through Panama Canal

Washington, Oct. 15.

An Italian-British struggle in the Mediterranean, jeopardising a main traffic artery of the world, would lead to an extraordinary shift in Far Eastern commerce and divert much traffic to the Panama route, shipping authorities here predicted.

Growing concern over the traffic situation along the Suez-Mediterranean route has caused experts to envisage an international maritime situation without precedent in the world's history.

Until the opening of the Panama Canal, the interruption of shipping through the Mediterranean would have merely been followed by the diversion of Europe-Asia traffic to the old Cape of Good Hope route of sailing-ship days.

With the Panama Canal in operation, however, cutting of the normal traffic route via Suez would cause distances on many important world routes to be re-calculated on the basis of distances via Panama versus Cape of Good Hope.

If the Mediterranean route should be interrupted, or even if war risks there became very high, the heavy commodities traffic from the Far East to the United States would come exclusively by Panama. At present, it moves both by Suez and Panama. Much of the Eastern Asian traffic to and from Northern Europe also probably would be routed by Panama.

In the re-routing of traffic, the relative distance would not be the sole consideration, as the degree of risk on various routes, the ports of call available, and the new traffic arising on account of war needs would also enter into the situation.

In former days when bulky commodities were carried in large part by "tramp" steamers, distance was a controlling consideration, but in recent years much of the world's commerce is handled by lines operating on fixed routes, with numerous ports of call. The re-routing therefore could not easily be foreseen.

World shipping is governed in large degree by the movements of the great basic raw materials, and if Far Eastern rubber, tin, silk, sugar, and vegetable oils should be moved into the Atlantic via Panama a situation would be created favourable to an expansion of American commerce, experts here believed.

At present the China coast is approximately equidistant by Suez or Panama to New York. If the Suez route were closed, however, the Panama route would afford a considerable saving in distance. Relative distances from New York to important Far Eastern commercial centres are as follows:

New York to Singapore—by Good Hope, 12,409 miles; by Suez, 10,177; by Panama, 12,522.  
New York to Shanghai—by Good Hope, 14,977; by Suez, 12,384; by Panama, 10,645.  
New York to Yokohama—by Good Hope, 15,099; by Suez, 13,079; by Panama, 9,677.

New York to Sydney—by Good Hope, 15,099; by Suez, 13,471; by Panama, 9,691.

Traffic between British India and Great Britain presumably would take the Good Hope route, but the heavy shipments of Indian jute to the United States, in event of Suez route interruption might come via Panama.

### Rubber From Asia

The heavy rubber shipments from south eastern Asia to the United States now come in large part via Suez, but would be re-routed by Panama. Considerable Philippine sugar now shipped via Suez also would find a Pacific route.

The United States share of total cargo moving annually through the Suez canal ranges from five to nine per cent, but is of large tonnage. In 1929, shipments through Suez from the United States were 615,000 tons; to the United States, 2,247,000; in 1934, cargoes from the United States were 237,000 tons; to the United States, 1,358,000.

Important cargoes shipped through Suez to the United States were rubber, minerals and metals, gunnies, sugar, jute, vegetable oils and tea. In the other direction moved American kerosene, metals, machinery, lubricating oils, paper pulp, and raw cotton.

Speculation as to possible maritime aspects of an Italo-British struggle generally presumes that Great Britain would control

all seas outside the Mediterranean, and that communications there might be kept open, though at great hazard to commercial shipping.

### Italian Sea Menace

Long distance cruising submarines and air bombers, however, create hazards to shipping of far greater radius than existed during the Great War. It is conceivable that Italian submarines or air bombers might get into the Atlantic, the Red Sea or menace west African shipping lines.

An important effect of Mediterranean shipping interruption might be to expand overland communications from Europe to Asia. There is, for example, considerable traffic from Russia to Vladivostok and other Far Eastern cities by way of Suez, that might conveniently be re-routed overland. Such traffic would be an added argument for the early completion of the Trans-Siberian railway.

Central European regions might, if the Suez were interrupted, find a new need for overland communications to the Persian gulf and India, such as existed in the Caravan routes prior to the opening of the Suez Canal in November 1869.—United Press.

## STRATOSPHERE FLIERS WERE LOST

Moscow, Oct. 1.

Two Soviet stratosphere pilots, B. A. Romanov and A. I. Babuikin, missing (believed dead) since September 3, turned up here to-day with a claim to have beaten the world's distance record.

They declare that they made a flight of 1,380 miles, at an average altitude of four miles, before their balloon came down in the desert steppes of Southern Kazakhstan.

The pilots then walked for two days before meeting a herdman, who lent them a horse for a 220-mile ride to the nearest telegraph. The balloon was the first of its sort to cross the Urals.



Ginger Rogers, film star, adopts new hairdressing mode, named "Golden Plaque." It recalls classic fashions immortalised on ancient plaques and coins. Hair is combed back from forehead, slightly waved at back, ends coiled low at nape of the neck.

## RADICAL MOVE

### R.A.F. CHANGING OVER TO MONOPLANES

A radical change in the flying equipment of the Royal Air Force will be effected when the new aeroplanes, ordered under the expansion scheme, are delivered to the squadrons. Instead of the biplane being used to the exclusion of all other forms, the monoplane will be introduced on a large scale, and will provide nearly half the total new equipment.

Details of many of the orders are secret; but it is stated that monoplanes are to be used in almost every class of aircraft in the Service, from the small single-seater fighters to the heaviest bombers.

This is the first drastic break-away from the tradition originally established by the Royal Flying Corps, and followed by the Royal Air Force.

Apart from a few types of foreign design, such as the Blériot monoplane, the Morane Parasol, and the Morane Bullet, British Service aeroplanes have invariably been biplanes or triplanes. The biplane form has retained its popularity to the present day, and the large Fairey long-range bomber is the first monoplane to be standardised in the R.A.F.

### Determining Factor

Various reasons have been given for the predominance of the biplane.

The British air authorities have held that the powers of rapid manoeuvre of the biplane are superior to those of the equivalent monoplane, partly on account of the smaller wing span. In addition, the biplane has been advocated on the grounds that it is less vulnerable in combat.

It has also been stated, though this point has been strongly contested, that the outlook for the pilot from a biplane is better than from the equivalent monoplane, owing to the comparatively shallow wing section of the biplane and to the possibility of placing the top plane on a level with the pilot's eyes.

It is probably true to state that the remarkable advances in performance made by American transport aeroplanes of monoplane form, advances to whose military

implications attention was first directed in the *Morning Post*, have been the determining factor in the change over.

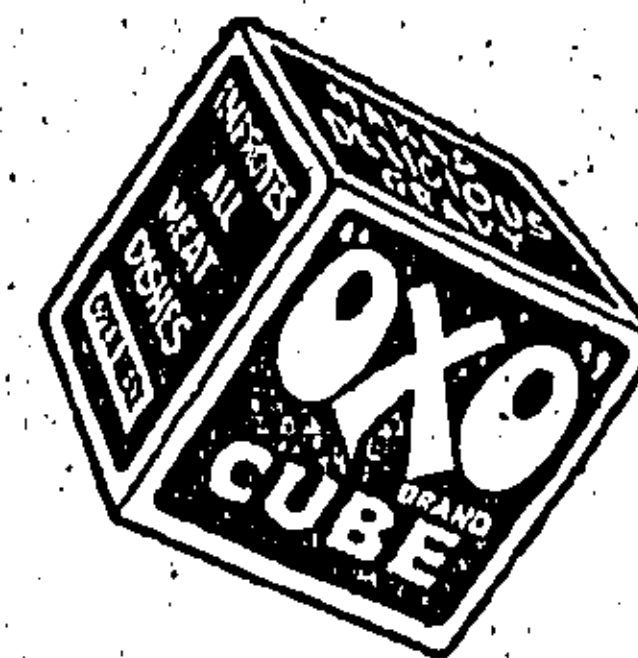
### Best Type For Speed

The Americans showed how the monoplane was capable of being designed with a much "cleaner" structure, aerodynamically, than the biplane. In addition, the introduction of the retractile under-carriage has found a use for the thick wing section of the monoplane.

For speed record breaking, both in the landplane class and in the seaplane class, the monoplane has been invariably successful. The Italian seaplane which holds the world's air speed record of about 450 miles an hour is a monoplane; and so is the French machine which holds the world's land aeroplane speed record.

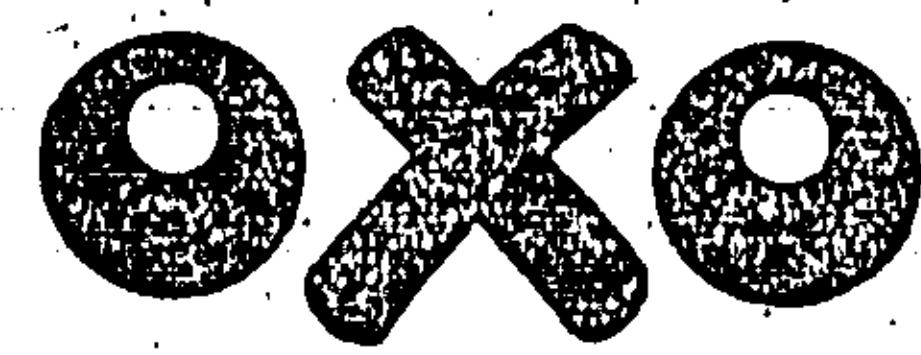
The evidence is overwhelmingly in favour of the monoplane, usually with liquid cooled engine, as being the type best suited to obtaining the highest possible speeds.

Powers of manoeuvre, in accordance with the theory of the British authorities, have proved in practice to be slightly less marked in the monoplane than in the biplane. The small biplanes of the war period, such as the Sopwith Pup, the Sopwith Camel, the D.H.2 (pusher single-seater), and the Nieuport Scout, were all notable for extreme rapidity of manoeuvre. Powers of manoeuvre in modern single-seater fighters, however, are somewhat subordinated to sheer performance expressed in speed and climb.



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## France May Sell Ten Largest Ships

### DEADLY BLOW TO MARSEILLES IF AXE FALLS

Marseilles, Oct. 1.

THREE hundred officers and 1,200 sailors are threatened with unemployment as the result of proposals by the Economy Commission appointed by the French Ministry of Mercantile Marine to lay up a percentage of subsidised mailboats.

At a meeting of the officers it was stated that three of the lines of the Messageries Maritimes Company, serving Far East, Australia, and Mediterranean routes, might be compelled to reduce their fleets by 10 ships.

### Blow To Trade

The Messageries Maritimes fleet, which at one time had 60 ships in service, would then possess only 25 units.

Shipping authorities here state that the proposal, if put into effect, will not only be a deadly blow to Marseilles, the first port in France, but also to French shipping and trade in general.

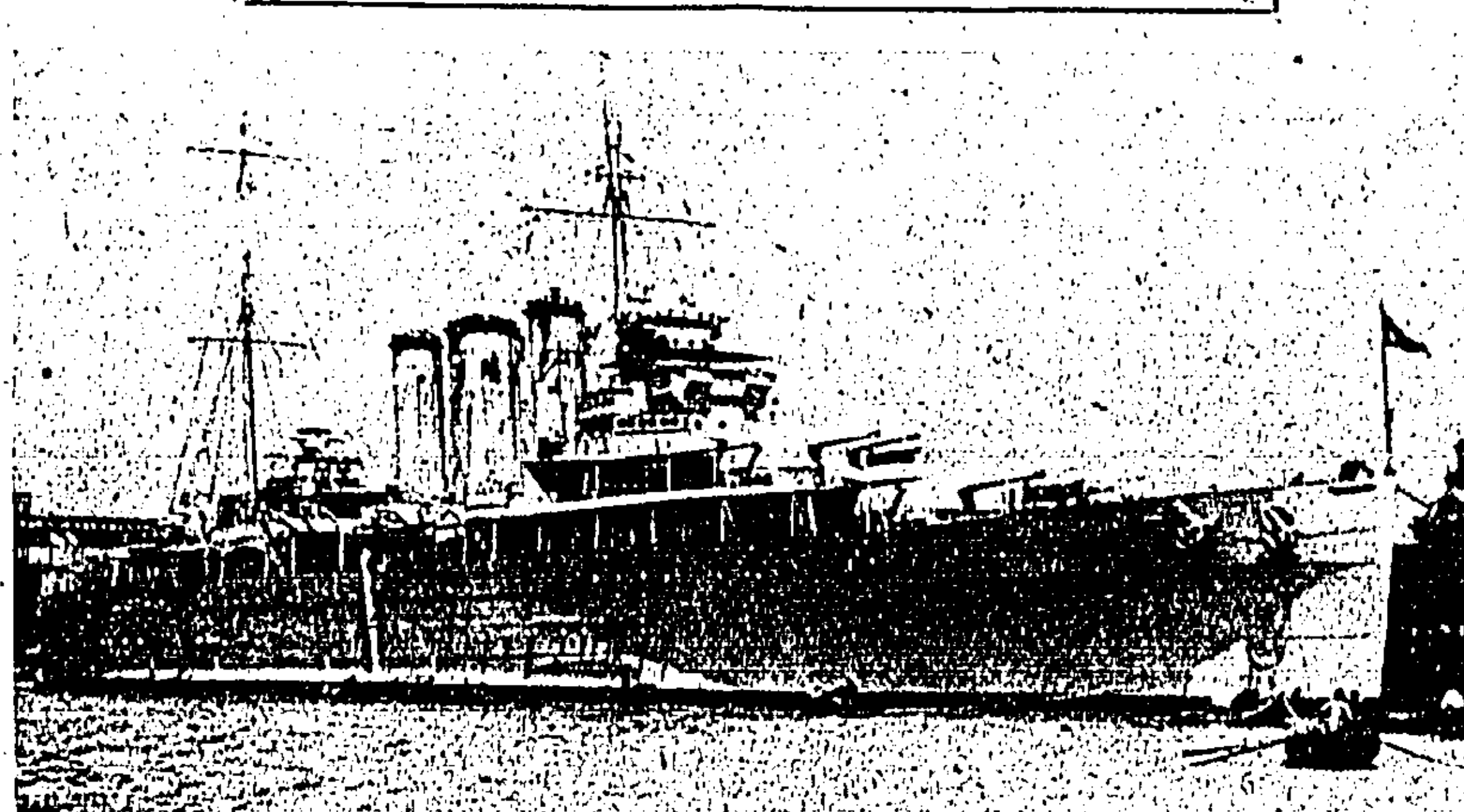
The ton vessels which may be withdrawn, they argue, represent a tonnage of 100,000.

Each year £100,000 will have to be paid in unemployment allowances, and some £700,000 worth of trade will be lost.

Further, general business in Marseilles will decline by more than £500,000.

Assuming the ships are sold to foreign companies, a working capital of £2,500,000 will be lost to French mercantile shipping. The gross loss, therefore, will, it is estimated, be £3,000,000.

## DECORATION FOR A WARSHIP



H.M.S. Suffolk has won a decoration from the Board of Trade—in the form of a piece of plate. The presentation was made yesterday in recognition of the splendid rescue carried out by seamen of the cruiser when the City of Cambridge was pounding to pieces on Pratas Reef in October last year. The Suffolk's rescue work took several days and was handicapped by heavy weather. Finally ship's boats got in the lee of the reef and seamen waded through the shallows to a point close to the stranded vessel's side, and dragged their boats after them. Not a life was lost.—Reuter.

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## SHARE PRICES

The following is the list of local share quotations issued this morning.

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H.K. Banks, \$1,010 b.	
H. K. Banks, (Lon. Reg.), \$106 1/2 n.	
Chartered Bank, \$13 1/2 n.	
Mercantile Bank, A. and B., \$28 1/2 n.	
Mercantile Bank, C., \$12 1/4 n.	
East Asia Bank, \$61 b.	
Insurances.	
Canton Ins., \$130 b.	
Union Ins., \$395 b.	
China Underwriters, \$1.10	
China Fire, \$382 n.	
H.K. Fire Ins., \$185 b.	
Internat'l Assoc., Sh. \$4 n.	
Shipping.	
Douglas, \$36 n.	
H.K. Steamboats, \$4 n.	
Indo-Chinas, (Prof.), \$30 n.	
Indo-Chinas (Def.), \$10 b.	
Shell (Bearer), 76 3/4 n.	
Union Waterboats, —	
Mining.	
Antamoks, 70 cts. n.	
Balatoos, \$14 n.	
Baguio Gold, 22 cts. n.	
Benguet Consolidated, \$10.60 n.	
Benguet Exp., 13 cts. n.	
Benguet Goldfield, —	
Big Wedge, 8 cts. n.	
Gold Creek, 30 cts. n.	
Gold River, 5 1/2 cts. n.	
Ipo Mining, 90 cts. n.	
Ibogons, 36 1/2 cts. n.	
Salacot, 15 cts. n.	
Kallan, 11/— n.	
Langkats (Single), \$13 n.	
Shai Explorations, Sh. \$4 1/2 n.	
Shai Loans, Sh. \$5 1/2 n.	
Raub, \$6.60 n.	
Venz Goldfield \$2.90 n.	
Docks etc.	
H.K. Wharves (old), \$66 1/2 n.	
H.K. Wharves (new), \$63 n.	
H.K. Docks, \$9 n.	
Providents (old), 50 cts. b.	
Providents (new), 20 cts. n.	
Hongkows (old), Sh. \$237 1/2 n.	
New Engineering, Sh. \$4 n.	
Shanghai Docks, Sh. \$80 n.	
Cotton Mills.	
Ewo Cottons, Sh. \$5.75 b.	
Shai Cottons (old), Sh. \$65 n.	
Shai Cottons (new), Sh. \$40 n.	
Zoong Sings, \$8 1/2 n.	
Wing On Textiles, Sh. \$25 n.	
Lands, Hotels, etc.	
H. and S. Hotels, \$3.00 b.	
H.K. Lands, \$25 b.	
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## CORRESPONDENCE

### Passing The Buck.

(To The Editor, Hongkong Telegraph)

Sir,—In poker, the possession of the buck is usually an asset for it allows the holder to name the game when it is next his turn to deal. At the Manchurian session, the Americans sit open-mouthed in dismay when the Japanese raked in the pot, buck and all, without any voiced opposition. Moreover, they suspected that some of the other players had slipped a few aces under the table to Japan, "just in case" she needed them.

In short, it was painfully evident that "house rules" were in effect. America was not a member of the League Club, but had been invited to play under Kellogg rules, agreed to by all the players. It is not the first instance of the stranger being taken by the home talent.

Is there any possible basis for the suggestion that America would not have joined in the imposition of sanctions against Japan or that she would not have done her share had such action led to war?

KNIVES WIN.

## RAW RUBBER

### LATEST SINGAPORE PRICES

Messrs. Benjamin and Potts received the following Straits currency quotations (buyers) from Singapore to-day for raw rubber:

Spot	21 1/2 cts. up 1/2 ct.
Nov/Dec	22 1/2 cts. up 1/2 ct.
Jan/Mch.	22 1/2 cts. up 1/2 ct.
Apr/June	23 1/2 cts. up 1/2 ct.
Market	Steady.
Public Utilities.	
H.K. Tramways, \$10.60 b.	
Peak Trams, (old), \$5 n.	
Peak Trams, (new), \$4 1/2 n.	
Star Ferries, \$76 n.	
Yamutai Ferries, (old) \$17 n.	
China Lights, \$8.10 b.	
H.K. Electric, \$52 3/4 b.	
Macao Electric, \$20 n.	
Sandakan Lights, \$3 b.	
Telephone (old), \$17.85 b.	
Telephone (new), \$3 1/4 n.	
China Buses, Sh. \$11 1/2 n.	
Singapore Traction, 13/— n.	
Singapore Prof., 25/— n.	
Industrials.	
Malabon Sugars, \$8.60 n.	
Cald: Macg. (old), Sh. \$19 1/2 n.	
Cald: Macg. (Prof.), Sh. \$13 n.	
Canton Tees, \$1.60 n.	
Cement, \$3.05 b.	
H.K. Ropes, \$1.90 n.	
Stores, &c.	
Dairy Farm, \$15 n.	
Watson, \$3.10 b.	
Lane Crawford, \$2.75 n.	
Mackintosh, \$7 n.	
Singapore, \$1.00 n.	
Wm. Fowler, 70 cts. n.	
Wing On (H.K.), \$55 n.	
Miscellaneous.	
H.K. Entertainments, \$4 n.	
S. C. Enterprise, \$1.35 n.	
Macao "Greyhounds," \$2 n.	
Constructions (old), \$1.10 n.	
Constructions (new), 25 cts. n.	
Vibro Piling, \$4 n.	
Ch. Govt. 5% 1925 G. \$ Bonds	91 1/2 n.
H. K. Govt. 4% Loan 5% prem. b.	
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% Loan par. b.	
Wallace Harpers \$4 n.	

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

### HONG KONG CRICKET CLUB NOTICE.

The Annual General Meeting will be held in the Pavilion on Monday, the 4th November, 1935, at 5.30 p.m.

### REMOVING LIBYA DIVISION

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informed Britain that it has given the order for the withdrawal of one of the three divisions in Libya.

### RUMOUR IN ROME.

Rome, Oct. 23. It is rumoured here that Signor Mussolini has withdrawn four regiments, comprising 8,000 infantry, from the Egyptian frontier of Libya, though the troops still remain in Libya.—*Reuter*.

### LAVAL'S HOPES

Paris, Oct. 23. M. Pierre Laval to-day expressed the hope that Britain will respond to the Italian gesture and withdraw some of her warships from the Mediterranean.

He revealed that long ago he had warned Italy against continuance of the Ethiopian campaign, saying it would bring collective action on the part of League nations, in which France would be bound to participate.—*United Press*.

### NO DECISION

London, Oct. 23. The Cabinet Defence Committee, it is learned in reliable quarters, is deliberating whether the Italian withdrawals in Libya justify the removal of H.M.S. Hood and H.M.S. Renown from the Mediterranean.

A decision is expected to be announced to-morrow, and it hinges upon whether the number of troops withdrawn from Libya is sufficient to warrant action, and upon other causes of fleet concentration which may or may not have altered sufficiently to warrant withdrawals.—*United Press*.

### ITALY SEEKS DELAY OF SANCTIONS

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the establishment of a vague colonial service if Italy's annexation of Ethiopia is to be avoided," he said.—*Reuter*.

### DOOR NOT CLOSED

Rome, Oct. 23. The fact that diplomatic conversations are proceeding shows that the doors are not closed. Therefore there is ground for optimism. But optimism should be tempered by the fact that the conversations have not come down to concrete facts, as far as the Ethiopian dispute is concerned, stated an authoritative spokesman to-day.—*Reuter*.

### JOINING EMBARGO

Geneva, Oct. 23. The Little Entente, Rumania, Yugo-Slavia and Czechoslovakia, informed the League of Nations to-day that they were applying the arms embargo against Italy. Twenty-five states are now applying the arms embargo against Italy and five have suspended financial relations.—*Reuter*.

### TRUCE IN LOUISIANA

Washington, Oct. 23. A three-day truce has been arranged at Lake Charles and all guards and workmen, who clashed yesterday, have been withdrawn from the docks until an agreement is reached. The militia won't be called out.—*United Press*.

### SEAT FOR CANADA

London, Oct. 23. According to a Geneva telegram, the International Labour Office has decided that Canada shall receive a permanent seat, in place of Germany, on the Governing body.—*British Wireless*.

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## MURDER TRIAL

### FURTHER EVIDENCE AT SESSIONS

The trial of four Chinese for the murder of a 61-year-old man at lower Chukowan village, Lantau Island, on September 2 last year was continued before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Criminal Sessions this morning.

Mr. W. J. Lockhart-Smith, Assistant Crown Solicitor, prosecuted, and the accused were represented by Mr. H. C. Macnamara and Mr. Harold Lee, on the instructions of Messrs. Dennys & Co.

The jury comprised Messrs. F. Goodwin (foreman), W. Robertson, G. Castle, C. A. Coelho, Wong Tse-kwong, Chau Lok-chow and J. O. Sequeira.

After Detective Sub-Inspector Rozesky had deposed to having visited the scene of the crime, Mr. G. H. Gandy, of the Port Development Office, P.W.D., testified that he arrived at Chukowan Bay in his yacht, the day following the murder. Two men together with the wife of the deceased rowed out to his yacht and told him that some tragedy had occurred in the village. He went there and found the body of the dead man.

### SON'S STORY

Au Shi-wing, the son of the deceased, stated that the second accused, Ho Wa and three others not in custody went to his hut on the day of the murder and invited him to go fishing. He declined and the men then sat down. Afterwards, witness and two of the men went to pick guavas near his hut, while his father and another man went to his hut and slept. Ho Wa, the second accused, remained with his mother and sisters.

After they had picked some guavas, witness suddenly heard a shout followed immediately by a cry of "Save life," from his father inside the hut. There was a great commotion; his companions gripped hold of him but he managed to break away and escaped by jumping into the sea.

Cross-examined by Mr. Lee, witness said that he knew all the accused well and could identify them easily. He did not see any of the ten persons who came down from the hillside. None of the accused had had any quarrel with his father and up to the time of the murder they were friendly with his family.

Hau Tsai, one of the daughters of the dead man, testified that she was bound to a tree with her mother and sister.

Lam Kam and Lam Sum, both hawkers, deposed to having arrived on the scene of the crime the next morning and released the widow and children.

The case is proceeding.

## SERIOUS CHARGE

### TRAM CONDUCTOR IN DOCK

Tsai Chi-san, aged 27 years, a conductor employed in the Hongkong Tramway Company, appeared before Mr. W. Schofield, at the Central Magistracy this morning, charged with having committed rape on Li Tim-hoi, a 17-year-old girl, in his employment, on August 11 this year, at No. 379 Hennessy Road.

Mr. Hin-shing Lo, instructed by Mr. F. E. Nash, of Messrs. Woo and Nash, appeared for the defendant, and asked for bail. Detective Sergeant D. Fitches opposed bail and asked for a week's formal remand. The defendant, he stated, was originally summoned in connection with failing to report the transfer of two *mui-tai*, one of whom was the subject of the charge. The hearing of the summons had been fixed for October 30.

Mr. Lo explained that the complainant had run away from the defendant's employment for about two weeks. A report had then been made to the police. After two weeks she was brought back by the S. C. A., and the accusation against the defendant was then alleged. She had been in the employment of the defendant for the last seven or eight years.

Sergeant Fitches agreed that the girl had run away on September 25, and that it was because of the offence committed by the defendant. It was quite significant that the defendant, when he found the girl had run away, removed from his address the following day, and only reported the matter on the third day.

Mr. Schofield said he would not fix bail until the police enquiries had been completed, and formally remanded defendant for one week.

### LOCAL SHOWERS

The anticyclone continues moving eastward and now covers Central Japan and the adjacent seas. A depression has formed to the south-east of Hankow. A shallow depression remains over Tongking. Local forecast:—East winds, moderate; cloudy, some local showers.

## SENTENCES REDUCED

### PLOTTERS GIVEN CONSIDERATION

Tokyo, Oct. 24. The Supreme Court has reduced the sentences of criminals who participated in the famous May 15 incident, of 1932, when the Premier, Tsuyoshi Inukai was assassinated.

The appellants were charged with violation of the Explosives Control Law, inciting disturbances, and other felonies.

Dr. Shumei Okawa, formerly sentenced to seven years, now has to serve only five, without hard labour; Kenichiro Homma, is to serve four instead of five years.

Hideo Toyama, son of the famous patriot, Mitsuuma Toyama, was sentenced to three years without hard labour.

Reductions were granted on the grounds that the original sentences were too severe, since the prisoners did not actually participate in the assassination but were only involved in the plot.—*United Press*.

## UNREST STILL REMAINS

### NORTH CHINA FEAR OF REVOLT

(Special to "Telegraph")

Hsiangho, Oct. 24. The conditions here are quieter but the situation remains tense. Officials fear that the unrest may spread through the demilitarised zone, and beyond. The magistrate has fled from this city and martial law has been declared.

Japanese soldiers and Chinese Peace Preservation Corps men are at the scene of yesterday's fighting and the total casualties to date are three farmers killed and a score wounded.—*United Press*.

## MANCHUKUO IGNORED

### JAPANESE REGRET SOVIET ACTION

Hainking, Oct. 24. The Japanese Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs, Mr. Ohashi, at present here on a visit, has issued a statement regretting the Soviet's continuous ignoring of Manchukuo in addressing Notes to Japan regarding border incidents, and also in correspondence regarding the proposal to establish a Frontier Commission.

He states that Manchukuo has repeatedly and directly proposed that the Soviet join in the establishment of a Demarcation Commission, but the Soviet ignore the approaches made and send Notes to Japan, often distorting the facts.—*United Press*.

## SOVIET AGAIN OFFENDED

### CITIZENS BEATEN IN MANCHUKUO

Moscow, Oct. 23. Russo-Japanese tension has been intensified by the receipt of reports from Khabarovsk that citizens of Russia in Manchukuo have been beaten and imprisoned without formal accusations being made against them.

Those mistreated include the publishing staff of the Harbin pro-Soviet newspaper, *News of the East*.—*United Press*.

## STATE FUNERAL FOR CARSON

### BODY BEING TAKEN TO IRELAND

London, Oct. 23. The remains of the late Lord Carson will be conveyed to Belfast aboard the destroyer, H.M.S. Broke, for burial in Belfast Cathedral. The Northern Ireland Parliament has passed a special measure to enable Lord Carson to be given a State funeral.—*Reuter Special*.

### FEAR SILK RISE

Osaka, Oct. 24. Silk industrialists and financial experts fear that the rapid advance of silk prices in the United States and Japan may prove a boomerang in the event of sudden decline, and therefore warn against speculative boosting. The Ministry of Agriculture believes that silk prices should be pegged at 800 yen per bale, though Wednesday's price broke 1,000.—*United Press*.

## MOTOR BANDITS "WANTED"

### REWARD OFFERED BY POLICE

A police reward of \$250 is offered for information leading to the arrest and conviction of five Chinese, who, armed with revolvers, held up a motor car in which were three Europeans, on October 6, on the main road near Wo Hop Shek village, Shuang Shui police district, New Territories, and intimidated the occupants with revolvers. The robbers stole property to the value of \$61.20, and escaped in the direction of the hills. It appears that a few minutes before this car was held up, members of the same gang robbed a Chinese of personal property to the value of \$61.23.

## MARKETS WILDLY FLUCTUATE

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rumours that the Government was nationalising silver.

U.S. dollars were 33 1/2. Sterling 1/4-5/16. Gold Bars \$1,028.00.

The foreign exchange market was chaotic at 9.45 a.m. There is a considerable spread between dollar and sterling rates on successive transactions.

U.S. dollars are 33 1/2. Sterling 1/4-5/16, and Gold Bars \$1,037.30.—*United Press*.

Another Shanghai message states that the gold bar market may be closed on account of the panic.

## AVOIDING CONFUSION

Washington, Oct. 23. Mr. Claude Swanson, Secretary of the Navy, commenting on reports that Japan desires a redistribution of world raw materials, expressed the opinion that such conversations should be barred from the London naval conference.—*United Press*.

## POST OFFICE.

### INWARD MAILS

Amoy	Santhia	October 24.
Japan and Shanghai	Asama Maru	October 25.
Canada, U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver B.C., 6th October)	Empress of Japan (due 6 a.m.)	October 25.
Japan	Kamo Maru	October 25.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, 27th Sept.)	Pres. Garfield	October 25.
Manila	Pres. McKinley	October 25.
Japan and Shanghai	Suwa Maru	October 25.
Shanghai and Swatow	Sinkiang	October 25.
Java and Manila	Tjikembang	October 25.

### OUTWARD MAILS

For	Per	Date and Time
Thursday.		
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia	Burgenland	Thurs., Oct. 24, 5 p.m.
Manila, Rabaul and Tulagi	Bremerhaven	Thurs., Oct. 24, 4.30 p.m.
Manila	Pres. Hoover	Thurs., Oct. 24, 5 p.m.
Friday.		
Fort Bayard	Wing Wo	Fri., Oct. 25, 11 a.m.
Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Klungchow	Fri., Oct. 25, 1 p.m.
Formosa	Kwantung Maru	Fri., Oct. 25, 2.30 p.m.
Saigon	Reunion, Tin How	Fri., Oct. 25, 2.30 p.m.
Madagascar and South Africa		
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hai Tan	Fri., Oct. 25, 3 p.m.
Manila	Emp. of Japan	Fri., Oct. 25, 3.30 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America and Europe via Victoria, B.C., and Europe via Siberia (Due Victoria B.C., 12th Nov.)	Pres. Garfield	Fri., Oct. 25, 5 p.m.
Manila, Australia and New Zealand Kamo Maru	Pres. Mackinley	Fri., Oct. 25.
via Thursday Island, 7th November		
Straits, Sandakan, Ceylon, India, Suwa Maru	Parcels	Oct. 25, 3 p.m.
Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles (Due Marseilles, 24th November)	Reg.	Oct. 25, 4.15 p.m.
	Letters	Oct. 25, 5 p.m.
	Reg.	Oct. 25, 4.30 p.m.
	Letters	Oct. 25, 5 p.m.
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QUOTATIONS**The following quotations on the  
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issued by Reuters:

	Oct. 22.	Oct. 23.
October	10.88	11.05/05
December	10.81	10.99/11.00
January	10.73	10.96/01
March	10.70	11.02/03
May	10.81	11.06/07
July	10.85	11.07/07
Spot	11.20	11.40

**New York Rubber**

December	12.92	13.17/15
January	13.00	13.22/22
March	13.17	13.39/39
May	13.32	13.52/52
July	13.48	13.67/67

Total sales:—432 lots.

**Chicago Wheat**

December	101	99 3/4	99 3/4
May	100 1/4	99 1/4	99
July	89 1/2	88 3/4	89

Tuesday's sales: 13,707,000 bushels.

**Chicago Corn**

December	60 3/4	61 1/4	61 3/4
May	59 3/4	60	60 3/4
July	60 3/4	60 1/2	60 1/2

Tuesday's sales: 6,464,000 bushels.

**Wholesale Wheat**

October	89 1/4	88 3/4	88 3/4
December	89 1/4	89	89
May	92 3/4	92 3/4	93

**New York Sugar**

December	2.40	2.40/41
January	2.17	2.15/16
March	2.13	2.11/12
May	2.17	2.15/17
July	2.21	2.19/20

Total sales:—10,000 tons.

**New York Silk**

December	2.07	2.07/09
March	2.05	2.04/04
May	2.05	2.04/04

Total sales:—00 lots.

**Montreal Silver**

December	66.23	66.20/30
January	66.35	66.35/50
March	66.45	66.70/74
May	67.70	67.05/30

Total sale:—8 c. n. n. n. n.

**MEMEL SITUATION**The Foreign Secretary, in reply-  
ing to a question, said he was glad  
to say the position in the Memel  
Territory had greatly improved.  
The Government would continue to  
keep a careful watch on the situa-  
tion there. *British Wireless.*James Dunn, William Farley and Arline Judge, in the Fox film  
comedy, "Welcome Home," now showing at the Alhambra  
Theatre.**WHEAT VERSUS RICE**

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eliminate that sharp division  
between man and nature which  
the clear, crisp atmosphere of  
the temperate zone affords  
wheat eaters.Here man lives closer to and  
in the soil, the water, the sun,  
and the rice eater is more an  
earthy element in his world  
than the wheat eater is in his.  
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dividually slowgoing and poor,  
but collectively immovable and  
wealthy beyond the dreams of  
avarice, the rice eater is older  
than the wheat eater, wiser  
than the tractor user, more com-  
pact and more easily mobilised  
than the radio listener.Country by country, the pre-  
dominance is still within the  
East. They produce 98 per cent  
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sawdust and pulp a synthetic  
bread to cost a penny a pound.**NOTES OF THE DAY**

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Colony, and the facilities there are  
not as far advanced as ours for  
the handling of planes, such  
as those the Pan-American people  
will send across the ocean. We do  
not attempt to explain why per-  
mission was not given the Ameri-  
can mail machines to come here.  
We only hope that no impediment  
will be put in the way of the  
French air line which, it is under-  
stood, is contemplating the estab-  
lishment of a service from Hanoi  
to Hongkong. And some time in  
the near future—barring accidents  
—Imperial Airways may bring  
Hongkong into its scheme of  
things. In spite of everything  
Hongkong will probably be the  
greatest airport in the Far East  
before many years have passed;  
her progress is merely being inter-  
rupted by somebody's short-sighted  
policy.But it has not fed her armies.  
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THURSDAY, OCT. 24, 1935.

### BRITAIN'S POLICY

In his outline of the British Government's policy in the present crisis, Sir Samuel Hoare rightly claimed that the people of Great Britain, irrespective of party, stand united in support of the League Covenant. There is no conflict of viewpoint on this issue. But it has been made apparent that there is a large volume of opinion which holds that the Government has unduly temporised in making use of the League machinery, with the result that inaction at Geneva has permitted Italy not only to pour troops into East Africa, but actually to start war against Ethiopia. The charge is that the Government was not firm enough in face of the long-standing threat of hostilities. The Labour Party, incidentally, takes this view, and to that extent it is likely to figure in strong criticism of the Baldwin Administration in the coming election campaign. Sir Samuel Hoare is at pains to point out that the Government had made incessant representations to Italy, beginning as far back as the end of last year, and there is much to be said for his argument that hasty action might have jeopardised the hopes of peace which were entertained up to as recently as August. The fact that those hopes have not been realised is admittedly no fault of Britain's. But there is cause for complaint at the dilatoriness of League action when we bear in mind that Italy was belatedly declared the aggressor nearly three weeks ago, and that even at this stage, with Ethiopians being slaughtered almost daily, the economic sanctions agreed upon are not to be put into force until early next month. In short, the League has thus far failed to achieve its primary object of preventing war. Here, again, however, the fault cannot be laid at the door of Britain, which has striven might and main to get the League machinery brought into use, but has encountered, if not actual obstruction, at least an unwillingness on the part of other nations to expedite matters. Sir Samuel Hoare, in answering the charge that economic sanctions might lead to the use of force, was obviously anxious to show that Britain is reluctant to apply military sanctions; yet, at the same time, he did indicate that Britain is prepared to go to the full limit, if the necessity arises, and what is of the most vital importance—if other nations are prepared to take part in collective action. Actually, the League Covenant does contemplate military sanc-

## NOTES OF THE DAY

### DANGEROUS PLAN

There is only one merit in the suggestion of the American diplomat, Mr. Nicholas Roosevelt, that Great Britain and the United States should come to an agreement in naval matters and jointly defend the peace of the Pacific. Such a union might go far towards allowing a general reduction of naval tonnage throughout the world and make the possibility of a dangerous naval race that much more remote. However, as we have seen before, it is not until American interests or American security is touched that the public opinion of the country encourages men of the country to encourage millions abroad. Mr. Roosevelt said, in part, that Japan had expansionist aims in the Pacific; that the Philippines would be Japanese before another generation had grown up; that the Dutch East Indies would be taken by Japan because of the oil there. No doubt he sees a threat to the peace of the Pacific, and entanglements in which America, with all her precautions to safeguard her neutrality, cannot very well avoid participating. In view of that danger Mr. Roosevelt thinks that an understanding with Great Britain would be of the greatest value in preserving the peace of the Pacific. We doubt it.

### ANTAGONISING JAPAN

In the first place, if Mr. Roosevelt is right and Japan does contemplate seizing other nations' possessions in the Far East, an Anglo-American naval accord in the Pacific would only precipitate trouble. Faced with the possibility of a naval alliance, what little disposition for compromise there is in Japan at present would be immediately killed. A naval conference would be abortive. Japan would build to resist a two-fold menace where now she is concerned merely with protecting herself against a single unit of national strength. If, on the other hand, the naval understanding between Great Britain and America were to follow a decision on the parts of both those countries to reduce their fleets materially and to join in protecting the peace of the seas not only in the Pacific but in other parts of the world as well, we might expect some reciprocal move from Japan. It would not then appear that the alliance was aimed primarily at the Japanese, a thing which Britain very much wishes to avoid, but that it was purely defensive and related to any portion of the globe where aggression occurred. Here is a chance for real collaboration. It is the whole basis of the Japanese naval scheme that navies should be built for the defence of the nations, and that they should in no respect be of a strength which might make them a threat to their neighbours' peace of mind. Japan wants to abolish capital ships, aircraft carriers and submarines. The time may come when that will be possible; but it will never be as long as there is talk of an Anglo-American alliance in the Pacific.

### PACIFIC AIRWAYS

We now learn that Hongkong's hope of becoming the Western terminus of the Pan-American Airways trans-Pacific service is very remote indeed. It appears that Macao is favoured by the operating company, and in view of the fact that the Government there has already decided to grant permission for the use of the port by the American company, it is altogether likely that there the first trans-Pacific mail planes will alight. To say that we are disappointed would be not quite the truth. We cannot be disappointed because we did not really expect that those responsible in London would move with sufficient alacrity to keep pace with the plans of the American mail operators. We merely hoped that they might. It was Hongkong's right to expect that she would be the Far Eastern terminus of this service, for this is the obvious distributing point for an enormous area. Macao is distinctly less "in touch" with the surrounding country than is this.

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tions as a last resort. Even under the best of conditions, economic pressure is slow in becoming effective; as it is proposed in the present crisis, the delay becomes even more pronounced. The tragedy of the position at the moment is that Italy still wages war against a fellow-member of the League, and it is difficult to see that the measures thus far agreed upon are likely to stop her. It is this circumstance which causes a belief in certain quarters that Britain, so far from being too active, has not taken a sufficiently strong stand. And it is clear that the nation and the Empire would favour an even more vigorous policy in order that the aggressor may be brought to book.

# WHEAT versus RICE



Rice Planting in New Territories, Hongkong.

—From a watercolour.

With the West Demanding "Bread for All!" and the East Calling for "More Rice!" There Is Revealed a Difference in the Way of Life Which Has Basic Significance

by  
**Sydney**

## GREENBIE.

THE Great War was won on wheat.

Wheat has ruled mankind for 4,600 years. It is mentioned eight times in the Bible; rice not even once. The encyclopedia gives a column and a quarter to rice; 12 full pages to wheat.

Yet the "staff of life" is as nothing to more than a thousand million persons, for, against the 4,502,000,000 bushels of wheat consumed annually, there are 6,033,000,000 bushels of rice consumed. More than half of the 2,000,000,000 human beings on earth depend on rice for their main source of food.

This is not a mere "Believe It or Not" item. It is a great factor in world politics. These two basic elements of diet are behind two great forces of civilisation. Dependence on wheat alone might set East and West struggling for survival; but with half the world living on wheat and half on rice, an equilibrium may be maintained. Fundamentally, the two grains represent two distinctly different types of civilisation. The whole life processes involved in raising these two crops are vastly different. Rice grows in the tropics; wheat in the temperate zone. Rice paddy fields are flooded; wheat grows on dry, rolling plains. Rice is planted by hand, men and beast up to their groins in water; wheat permits use of machines that spread their reproductive forces over miles of acres. Rice keeps a family secure on two to seven acres, wheat needs a minimum of some 30 acres. Rice is milled in village mills, individualistic in all operations from planting through to eating; wheat is threshed by giant machines, with gangs of men, and is stored in vast granaries. And yet, contradictorily, the rice eaters are for the most part docile, living under absolutisms that have survived the individualistic in the extreme.

The wheat eaters have spread over the earth and conquered it. The rice eaters have stayed put. When West first met the East, it was predicted that Japan and China would turn to bread, but the expectation has not been realised. Japan had known nothing of bread; adopted the French word *pain* (bread) into her language; tried to make it, and dropped it.

LET us consider for a moment the essentials in the growing of rice and the growing of wheat in the East and the West. We of the West ran roughshod over our wheat areas, leaving them exhausted and prostrate, fields for the winds to play with or carry the dusty soil hither and yon. And up and down go the prices of wheat; with glut at one moment and

threat of dearth the next. The entire western world, from Russia to Canada, Australia to the United States, dependent on wheat; suffers at one moment from too much, at another from famine.

Perhaps no modern industry lends itself more to anarchy and confusion and mutual negation than this. Because no nation is secure without a hinterland assuring her adequate supply, the drive to obtain it is incessant. But every time any one nation extends its wheat field, its operations are doomed to frustration and international discord. The central European powers haven't enough; Russia, Argentina, Australia, Canada and the United States have too much. Just before the war, Germany was drawing vast quantities of wheat to herself through the neighbouring countries. This was soon exhausted, and the war settled into a test of endurance, with wheat the arbiter. The wheat growers were her enemies, and when America was drawn in, the balance was against her. Even the Argentine was prevented from shipping wheat to Germany.

Before 1900, Europe ate nearly 2,000,000,000 bushels of wheat and only 34,000,000 bushels of rice, while Asia consumed 1,265,000,000 of wheat to 5,879,000,000 bushels of rice. Russia sent to England 4,128,000 bushels of wheat, and elsewhere 10,000,000 tons yearly. The United States sent England 2,000,000 bushels. Canada sent none. By 1900, the scene shifted, Russia sending England only 1,031,000, the United States 13,561,000, and Canada 4,322,000 bushels. The war changed this. By 1922, Canada was producing 39 per cent of the wheat exports of the world, the United States 23 per cent, the Argentine 10 per cent, Australia 11 per cent.

In 1912-14, the world wheat crop was 3,800,000,000 bushels, not counting China; ten years later it was 3,500,000,000 bushels; in 1932, it was 4,600,000,000 bushels. The wheat eaters had increased in population only 12 per cent. The World War had whipped up production, turning every available dust-patch capable of producing wheat—the Canada and American prairies, the backblocks of Australia, the Argentine pampas—to such an extent that now the "wheat diplomats" are re-

joining at the drought, elated with the rust in Argentina, and enthusiastic over the grasshoppers in Australia. For there is no vacation for wheat; the calendar knows no rest; winter and summer, somewhere wheat is growing.

HOW is it among the rice eaters? China and India living on rice, apathetic toward progress, steeped in antiquity, sunk in despair, go from famine to famine, from flood to drought, plodding, invincible. But Japan, like the wheat eaters, with intensive drive, has doubled her population and her rice. No dust storms in Japan. No nation has been more efficient than Japan in rice growing, cultivation it from time out of mind, though neither in climate nor in physiography is her land particularly suited to its production. Only through careful selection, for centuries, of seed suited to her climate and the development of terraced mountain drainage with much toil has Japan been able to keep up her rice supply. There is beauty written into these terraced hills. Even in the most inaccessible valleys, one may see these stubborn fields, like little shelves bracketed to the walls, clinging to the slopes and holding in their shallow cups thin layers of water which slowly trickle down, down, down, from field to field, making acres where before were only perpendicular lean-tos.

BEGINNING with Japan, down through Hongkong, Manila, Saigon, the rice roads are a parchment record of the centuries. Under parching sun, tepid rains, against volcanic hills, over withered jungle-girded veldt, it is an unending road of rice. At Saigon, one of the principal rice ports of the world, rice comes in from the upper reaches of the Mekong River on thousands of junks over 10,000 miles of canals and waterways; this "Paris of the East" parades its boulevards, loiters on the verandah-shaded sidewalks with European airs, while the population of the hinterland works its water buffalos in the sludgy paddy fields. Back at Phnom Penh, the Cambodian king watches his dancing girls on the silver floor of his pavilion while his subjects grind their rice in the enormous mill fed by the junks on the Mekong at the door.

Where Hongkong's New Territories skirt the Kwangtung frontier, tourists see miles and miles of waterlogged land, where, in spring, the planting season for China's staple food begins. The steaming hot rivers, the sour smell of jungle, the densely crowded streets and rivers

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# LLOYD GEORGE'S SUSPICIONS

## IMPERIALIST DEAL FLATLY DENIED

### PEACE NEGOTIATIONS REVIEWED

London, Oct. 23.

Intimating his suspicion that something in the manner of a secret diplomatic arrangement had apparently altered the European situation during the past few days, and inquiring as to what this might have been, Mr. David Lloyd George, former Prime Minister, addressed the House of Commons in a continuation of the Foreign Affairs Debate to-day.

Sir Samuel Hoare, the Foreign Secretary, had left some vital things unsaid, said Mr. Lloyd George, and the position was in many ways completely obscure. He asked for specific information regarding the Franco-Italian agreement of January last and of the commitments at the Stresa Conference.

He declared that between January and September, France had sent to Italy 478 tons of distillation coal, which was practically TNT, and also 697 tons of glycerine for great guns.

Finally he asserted that undoubtedly something had happened during the past few days. He asked whether Great Britain had promised to withdraw her fleet from the Mediterranean.

#### EDEN MAKES REPLY

Mr. Anthony Eden, the Minister for League of Nations Affairs, who has been conducting Britain's diplomatic campaign at Geneva, replied, asserting vigorously:

"I have absolutely nothing to hide. The report of the Geneva Committee under Article XVI of the Covenant represents the only negotiations there have been."

With regard to the query as to whether Britain were committed to compensation of any other states, Mr. Eden answered: "We are committed thereto by the League Covenant."

He proceeded to rectify the history of the diplomatic activities since December, with the object of rebutting the charge of dilatoriness. He alluded to the representations between January and March, one of which was made to Signor Mussolini personally.

#### ITALY'S PROMISE

Towards the end of March, he related, Italy had given assurance that she would proceed with the negotiations for peace as rapidly as possible, as she was anxious to apply the principles of Geneva in a spirit of moderation and peace. He reviewed proceedings up to the time of his visit to Rome with proposals for a settlement, and expressed regret that this occasion, like very many others in which Britain had made efforts to find a solid basis for negotiations, was unsuccessful.

In detail, Mr. Eden went through the month-by-month negotiations. "Each time the negotiations failed through the Italian refusal to accept even a basis of discussion," he said.

#### HAGUE CONVENTION

As to the application of the Hague Convention regarding Italian warships and auxiliaries in British ports, Mr. Eden declared that to do less would be to treat a breaker of the League Covenant as if no breach had occurred.

Answering the Government's critics, he said that the Sino-Japanese episode in Manchuria was a false analogy with the present situation in Ethiopia. Japan had not been declared an aggressor by the League; the dispute did not at any stage result in a resort to war by either of the parties; China did not rupture her relations with Japan and did not invoke Article XVI of the Covenant. Moreover, there were practical considerations to be remembered at the time, since two of the great states bordering on the Pacific were not League members, and the essential conditions for collective action were absent.

#### HOPE FOR SETTLEMENT

Re-echoing Sir Samuel Hoare's hope for a settlement in the European dispute, Mr. Eden said there was no need for suspicion with respect to the negotiations.

"There is no question of a bargain being made, and still less of some imperialistic deal. The only assurance given to Italy is that we shall not act alone."

Mr. Lloyd George interposed: "You said that before."

Mr. Eden retorted: "We said it again. Mr. Lloyd George may be

astonished but he would not be if he read the Italian press."

Those engaged in this unhappy dispute cannot have much enthusiasm for their task, he declared, but here was a duty and it had to be done. He was loudly cheered.

The debate continues tomorrow, Mr. Stanley Baldwin, the Prime Minister, having refused time for a debate of the Labour motion of censure on unemployment.

#### CABINET UNITED

Mr. Stanley Baldwin, Prime Minister, in the course of a lengthy speech, said every word which Sir Samuel Hoare used yesterday had the full and united support of the Cabinet. Mr. Eden had been in constant touch, while at Geneva, with his London colleagues, who unanimously endorsed his actions during the last few weeks, and yesterday's debate had shown conclusively that the Government's policy had general support in Britain and the whole British Empire.

The day had gone, said Mr. Baldwin, when we gave instructions to component parts of the Empire. The Dominions play their part at Geneva with true devotion to the League and strict regard to their obligations under the Covenant. By their presence at Geneva they had taken their stand as supporting the system of collective action. In the Italo-Ethiopian dispute, they had hesitatingly played their part in the creation of a plan of co-ordinated sanctions.

Continuing, Mr. Baldwin said: "We have taken the only possible course of action by absolute loyalty for the Covenant, with a readiness to seize any legitimate opportunity for a settlement. Such a settlement must be fair to the three parties—Italy, Ethiopia and the League of Nations."

#### NOT ACTING ALONE

"We are not dealing with the League in the plenitude of its strength envisaged by its founders. It is obvious that what would be easily possible in the League as originally contemplated is not possible in the present League, which has been left aside by three most important world Powers. We have no intention of acting by ourselves or of going further than we can get the whole League to go. We have never had war in mind."

Mr. Baldwin deprecated the use of the word "war," which could only encourage dangerous conditions of mind, especially in countries which depended for their news on what may be submitted to them by their Governments.

"The lesson of this crisis has shown that, in the interests of world peace, it is essential that our defensive services should be stronger than they are to-day. I am not speaking of any kind of unilateral action directed, either in reality or in imagination, against any particular country. I am speaking of strengthening our defensive services within the framework of the League, for the sake of international peace, and not for selfish needs. We have taken a risk for peace, and the Government sees no other course than to adopt a policy, so far as the League can carry it out, of collective security."

"While I am prepared to pursue that policy with all my heart and soul, I would not pursue it if not

## BUBONIC PLAGUE RAVAGES

### 'Thousands Perish' In Hotien

Nanking, Oct. 24. Thousands of people are reported to have perished as the result of an outbreak of bubonic plague in the Hotien area of Southern Sinkiang.

The Government has ordered the despatch of a medical unit to Sinkiang, while the medical assistance which has been arranged by the Soviet will be withdrawn as soon as the Chinese medical party arrives.—*Reuter*.

given the power to remedy the deficiencies in our defensive services since the Great War. If the League fails this time, it behooves us to see what can be done to make the League adequate.—*Reuter*.

#### LLOYD GEORGE ATTACKS

London, Oct. 23. Speaking in the Foreign Affairs debate, Mr. Lloyd George to-day charged that France had supplied Italy with high explosives between January and September 20, but Mr. Eden quickly defended France, explaining there was no prohibition of such supplies until the League applied sanctions.

Mr. Lloyd George castigated the Government on its economic sanctions policy. "Economic sanctions are an economic war—and you have declared it. You are organising a strangle-hold on Italy. You have brought fifty nations together to break her down, and you call it a lull."

He concluded with a barrage of questions: "Have we promised to withdraw the fleet from the Mediterranean? What's the arrangement? What's our promise? What assurances have we?"

#### SURPRISED

Mr. Eden said: "Mr. Lloyd George's figures surprise me." However, he added there was no question of French breach of faith, and then went on to explain Britain's diplomatic activities.

"How could anyone charge that we had failed to manifest in the clearest terms our opposition to Signor Mussolini?" he asked.

Regarding Mr. Lloyd George's query respecting the Fleet, he said: "The only assurance we have given Italy... if it can be called an assurance... is the assurance that we will take no action alone."—*United Press*.

#### NO SECRECY

In the speeches on foreign affairs in Parliament to-day, Mr. Amery and Mr. Lloyd George both proved critical of Government's policy, the former summing up his remarks in the sentence, "Let us strengthen our defences and beware of how we enter our unnecessary quarrels."

The Liberal member, Mr. Isaac Foot, paid a high tribute to the work of the Foreign Secretary and Mr. Eden at Geneva.

When Mr. Eden intervened in the debate, he said Mr. Lloyd George had seemed rather anxious to create an atmosphere of suspicion. There was no secrecy at all about the work which had been done at Geneva under Article XVI of the

League of Nations.

Local estate to the value of \$24,000 was left by Chen Chun, alias Philip Chun, late of 161 East Street, Nankai, New South Wales, who died at the "Woolundry" Private Hospital, Nankai, on September 11, 1934, at the age of 71. Letters of administration to the estate have been granted to Mr. Philip Goecklin, chief manager of the Wing On Co., Ltd.

A police raid at 161 Temple Street, ground floor, yesterday evening, resulted in two unemployed men, Au Wing and Tam Man, being charged before Mr. Wynne-Jones at the Kowloon Magistrate's court this morning with the possession of 14,000 heroin pills.

On the application of Detective Sergeant E. Franklin, the accused were remanded for one week for production of the Analyst's report.

Wu Sing, student, and Ng Yiu-sing, shoe-maker, both aged 20 years, who rode bicycles in circles in Gilles Avenue last night at 8.25 and collided, when they appeared before Mr. Wynne-Jones at the Kowloon Magistrate's court this morning. "This riding in circles must be stopped," remarked his Worship. "It is surprising to me these people are not killed doing it." Sergeant J. Feely prosecuted.

## U. S. Delegate Selected

### ADMIRAL STANDLEY GOES TO LONDON

Washington, Oct. 23. Admiral William H. Standley, United States Chief of Naval Operations, will represent his country at the projected Naval Conference in London, according to an announcement made by Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State.

Mr. Hull expressed the opinion that the Conference should be confined solely to a consideration of naval problems, and not include economic questions.

Questioned with regard to the Japanese desire for naval expansion, Mr. Hull reiterated his belief in the provisions of the London naval agreement, and declared that, personally, he thought the 5-5-3 ratio quite right.—*Reuter*.

#### INFANT PRINCE

London, Oct. 23. The King and Queen visited the Duke and Duchess of Kent this afternoon and saw their infant grandson for the first time.—*British Wireless*.

Covenant. The Reports and recommendations of the committees had been published, and the latter were in accordance with the obligations which all League members had assumed.

Mr. Eden then gave an account of the negotiations to show there was not a shred of justification for the charge of dilatoriness which had been levelled against the Government and that from the beginning of the Italo-Ethiopian dispute until the present time the Government had used all their influence, and used it without respite, to bring about a settlement which might be acceptable to the parties and consistent with the Covenant of the League.

Every endeavour had been made to find a settlement. During the many long months of negotiations, attempts were made, not once but many times, not only in recent weeks, but from the very beginning, by the British Government, by the League Council and the Committees of the Council to secure a settlement of the dispute, but each time the negotiations failed through the refusal of the Italian Government to accept even a basis of discussion the proposals put forward.

#### ONLY ASSURANCE

Replying to an interjection by Mr. Lloyd George, Mr. Eden said the only assurance, if assurance it could be called, which had been given to the Italian Government was that we should take no action alone, but only collectively.

He ended: "Personally—I must sincerely hope in a few days, before the nations meet again to consider the dates on which it must be imposed, that settlement will be reached. But if it is not reached, the House should not underestimate the effectiveness of the step on which the League will be embarking. For the first time in the history of the world, an attempt is being made to operate an international system, based not upon power but on certain fixed principles of equity. This is an adventure in which we might all be proud to play our part."—*British Wireless*.

Two cases of Typhoid fever were reported to the local Health authorities on Tuesday.

There will be a study and discussion, class at the Manuk Lodge of the Theosophical Society to-night at 8 o'clock.

Mr. G. White, M.A., will deliver a lecture to the Hongkong University Engineering Society on "The Forth Bridge: Some points of special interest in its Design and Construction," to-morrow, (Friday) at 8.30 p.m. in Room "K" of the University. All interested are welcome.

Chan Siu-fong, 22, book-keeper, who admitted a charge of evading payment on the Yau-mat ferry launch, Man Kung, was fined \$25, or one month's hard labour, when he appeared before Mr. Wynne-Jones at the Kowloon Magistrate's court this morning.

Defendant stated that he was a monthly ticket-holder and had only returned from Can' a few days ago. He had no ticket for the current month. Inspector Hurlock, of the Hongkong and Yau-mat Ferry Co., was the complainant.

Pleading guilty before Mr. Wynne-Jones at the Kowloon Police Court this morning, to returning from banishment, Chan Shu, 38, unemployed, who was banished for ten years from July 21 last, was sent to prison for one year. Defendant admitted serving six months in prison for a similar offence. Last year, 38, also admitted returning from banishment. His criminal record bore convictions for theft, larceny by bailment, embezzlement, housebreaking and two breaches of the Deportation Ordinance. The hearing was fixed for to-morrow afternoon, when it would probably be for commitment. Inspector Chester Woods Prosecuted.

## RADIO BROADCAST

### Children's Studio Concert This Evening

#### Z.E.K. PROGRAMME

From Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 355 metres (845 kilocycles):

5-6 p.m. Hongkong Hotel Dance Orchestra.

6-6.30 p.m. Children's Studio Concert.

6.30-7 p.m. Hongkong Hotel Dance Orchestra.

7-7.17 p.m. "Peer Gynt Suite No. 2," Op. 55 (Grieg).

7.17 p.m.-7.30 p.m. Four Songs by Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone).

1. Star O' Robbie Burns (Booth); 2. The Auld Hoose (Naime); 3. Our River Thames (Hennessy); 4. Young Briton's Heritage (Hennessy).

7.30-7.45 p.m. A Jazz Piano Recital by Rale da Costa.

1. I had to change the Words; 2. One Minute to one; 3. Goodnight Vienna—Medley; 4. Sunshine Suite—Medley; 5. Butterflies in the Rain.

7.45-8 p.m. Instrumental Variety. Xylophone Solo—Dancing Butterfly.

Violin Solo—Remembrance. Albert Sandler.

Organ Solo—Grasshoppers' Dance. Sydney Gustard.

Orchestra—Hawaiian Love Bird. King Nawahi's Hawaiians.

8 p.m. Local Time and Weather Report; Closing Local Stock Quotations.

8.05-10.30 p.m. Chinese Studio Concert.

10.30 p.m. Close Down.

8.05-10 p.m. European Programme from Z.E.K. on a frequency of 610 kilocycles.

8.05-8.18 p.m. "A Blackpool Selection" played by The Arcadian Folies.

8.18-8.35 p.m. Hawaiian Music. On the Dreamy Morna Shore.

Tropical Hulas. South Sea Islanders.

Hilo Hapahahi. Waikiki Stone-Wall Boys.

Drifting and Dreaming. Chiquita—Waltz.

8.35-9 p.m. Orchestral Items. Egmont Overture, Op. 84 (Beethoven).

Overture "Final's Cave," Op. 26 (Mendelssohn).

Carneval Overture (Dvorak).

9-9.15 p.m. Davenport News Bulletin.

9.15-9.32 p.m. "Review of Reviews" 9.32-10 p.m. Light Orchestral Music.

The Hermit (Schmalstieg).

Forest Idyll (Eastlinger).

Gounod in Vienna (arr. Walter).

Indian Mail—Descriptive (Lamotte).

Glow Worm—Intermezzo (Lincke).

10 p.m. Big Ben: Reuter Press Bulletins.

10.05 p.m. Close Down.

#### FORGED NOTE

### MEAN CRIME ENDS IN IMPRISONMENT

Chan Yui-chuen, aged 19, a stall fook, and a 13-year-old youth, were this morning charged before Mr. W. Schofield, at the Central Magistracy, with possession of a forged \$10 note of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China on Tuesday at Queen's Road West.

Both defendants admitted the charge, the first defendant stating that he was afraid to pass the note and had given it to the second defendant to pass.

Detective Sergeant Baldwin said that about 4.30 a.m. on Tuesday, Chinese constable, P. C. C. 193, happened to be walking past No. 299 Queen's Road West, when he heard a shop-keeper telling the boy that the note was of no use. When the boy left the shop, the constable followed, and arrested him. The boy dropped the note to the ground. When questioned, he said the note had been given to him by the first defendant who had promised him \$2.50 if he changed it. The first defendant was found, and he stated that a man had given him the note, promising to give him \$5 if he changed it. He was afraid to do so, and gave the note to the boy. The third man could not be traced by the police.

Mr. Schofield sentenced the first defendant to six months' hard labour, remarking it was a particularly mean crime he had committed by deliberately getting the boy into trouble. The second defendant was remanded for 48 hours in the Remand Home for enquiries and medical examination.

## RED CROSS UNITS FOR ETHIOPIA SWISS PARTY NOW ON WAY

Paris, Oct. 23. The advance guard of the Swedish Red Cross units passed through Paris to-day en route for Ethiopia.

It is proposed to establish a field hospital with a hundred beds near Harar. The remainder of the units will sail from Marseilles on October 30.—*Reuter Special*.



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## DOG-OWNERS WARNED DANGER TO PUBLIC STRESSED

"People have got to learn that these dogs are very dangerous; people who undertake to look after dogs have got to see that the animals do not run out unmuzzled," commented Mr. Wynne-Jones at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning when imposing a fine of \$25, with the alternative of one month's imprisonment, on a woman, Yu Yuk, of 19 Fa Yuen

Street, on a summons for allowing her dog abroad without a muzzle or on a lead.

Another woman, Fung Wong, of magazine hut No. 51, off Taiwai Road, who came forward and stated the dog belonged to her, was fined \$5, or, in default, seven days, on a summons for keeping the dog without a licence. Sergeant J. Feely prosecuted.

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# ATTACK TO BE LAUNCHED ON CAMPBELL'S RECORD

## AMERICA MAKING A BID

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"Sir Malcolm Campbell's new 301-miles-an-hour record can be broken on the Bonneville salt-bed, and it's time America did something about it."

This statement, containing the first intimation of any American's challenge to Sir Malcolm Campbell's speed record, has been made in Salt Lake City by August Dusenberg, famous designer of motor-cars bearing his name.

#### AB. JENKINS

"What can America do about it?" he was asked.

"Build a car capable of breaking Sir Malcolm's record—and turn it over to Ab Jenkins to drive," was the designer's prompt answer.

Coming from one of the greatest of speed car makers, this is perhaps the greatest tribute ever paid to the Salt Lake driver, who holds the world's record for the 24-hours solo run.

Dusenberg has found a supporter in Gus P. Backman, secretary of the Salt Lake City Chamber of Commerce and race enthusiast. Together they have decided that it not only could but should be done.

#### LIFE AMBITION

Jenkins, it appears, has already been approached. His answer was a foregone conclusion, for it has been his life-long ambition to bring the record for the "flying mile" to America and Salt Lake City.

After watching Campbell, Cobb and Eylon set their records, he left Salt Lake to return to his factory in Indianapolis, saying that he had seen enough definitely to convince him that a car could be built to better Campbell's record, and that he intended building it.

"The problem," he confessed, "is to find a motor with sufficient horsepower."

"It will take the equivalent of 3,000 horses under the hood," he told Backman. "You catch the horses and I'll do the rest."

Dusenberg intimated that the United States Army within the next few months may be willing to permit the use of a motor which is being secretly developed in eastern plants.

Secretary Backman, it is believed, will discuss this possibility with Secretary of War George H. Dern, former Governor of the Mormon State.

## OUR SOCCER FORECASTS

### Huddersfield Visiting Liverpool

(By "Sagax")

The following is a forecast of Saturday's matches in the Home Football League:

#### FIRST DIVISION

ARSENAL	v	Preston N. E.
BIRMINGHAM	v	Portsmouth
BLACKBURN	v	Everton
CHELSEA	v	Bolton
Grimsby	v	MIDDLESBRO'
LEEDS	v	Aston Villa
Liverpool	v	HUDDESFIELD
MANCHESTER C.	v	Brentford
STOKE	v	Derby
SUNDERLAND	v	Wednesday
West Brom.	v	Wolves

#### SECOND DIVISION

BLACKPOOL	v	Hull
Bradford	v	MANCHESTER U.
Bury	v	Sheff. Wed.
DONCASTER	v	Harnley
LEICESTER	v	Tottenham
Norwich	v	Burnley
Notts Forest	v	Charlton
SHEFFIELD U.	v	Port Vale
SOUTHAMPTON	v	Fulham
SWANSEA	v	Newcastle
WEST HAM	v	Bradford C.

#### THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)

Aldershot	v	READING
Brighton	v	Notts County
Bristol C.	v	SOUTHEND
COVENTRY	v	Gillingham
Exeter	v	Luton
MILLWALL	v	Northampton
Newport	v	Bournemouth
QUEEN'S P. R.	v	Bristol R.
Swindon	v	Cardiff
Torquay	v	Crystal Pal.
WATFORD	v	Clapton C.

#### THIRD DIVISION (NORTH)

Carlisle	v	Accrington
DARLINGTON	v	New Brighton
Gateshead	v	CHESTERFIELD
HALIFAX	v	Barrow
HAITLEPOOLS	v	Southport
Mansfield	v	CHESTER
OLDHAM	v	York
ROTHAM	v	LINCOLN
TRANMERE	v	Stockport
WALSALL	v	Crews
WREXHAM	v	Rochdale

#### SCOTTISH LEAGUE (FIRST DIVISION)

AIRDRIE	v	Third Lanark
Arbroath	v	Dunfermline
Clyde	v	RANGERS
DEER	v	Ayr
HEARTS	v	Albion
Kilmarnock	v	ABERDEEN
Motherwell	v	Celtic
PARTICK	v	Hibernian
Queen's Park	v	St. Johnstone
Queen O'Sh.	v	Hamilton

Exeter City have signed J. McCallum, the Irish international inside forward, from Bristol Rovers. McCallum has played against England, Scotland, and Wales.

## COUNTY RUGBY FIXTURES

### TWO MATCHES IN CHAMPIONSHIP

#### CAMBRIDGE WINS EASILY

London, Oct. 23.

Two matches were played in the South Eastern Section of the County Rugby Championship today, the Eastern Counties and Sussex being the winning teams.

Eastern Counties met Kent at Norwich and won by ten points to five, while Sussex beat Surrey at South Croydon by thirteen points to five.

In a club fixture St. Bartholomew's Hospital lost to the Cambridge University undergraduates by 23 points to nil.—*Reuter*.

## University Athletic Tour Ends

### VISITORS WIN IN SOUTH AFRICA

Queenstown, Sept. 25.

The Oxford and Cambridge Universities athletic team wound up their South African tour today with a victory over the South African Universities here.

The tourists made a clean sweep by winning all the eleven events. Of the seven contests in which they took part they won all but the Test match against South Africa at Johannesburg.

At today's match, R. L. Howland, of Cambridge University, the captain of the British team, was accorded a warm ovation for his plucky determination to compete despite injuries received earlier today when a car in which he was travelling skidded and fell into a deep ditch. Howland bruised his forehead and knee, and the other three occupants of the car, all of whom were South African University students, received sprains, as a result of which two were unable to compete in the athletic contest.

Howland won both the weight and discus events, beating the British native record of 47ft. 8½in. with an effort of 48ft. 9in. in the weight. "Doubles" were also accomplished by A. W. Sweeney, the R.A.F. sprinter, and A. G. Pilbrow, of Oxford University. Sweeney won both the 100 yards and 220 yards and Pilbrow both the hurdle events.

## Henri Cochet Appearing Next Week



CILLY AUSSEM

## Cilly Aussem To Marry

Cologne, Sept. 27. Fraulein Cilly Aussem, the German lawn tennis player, has become engaged to Count Fermo Murari Dala Corte Brac, of Verona, Italy.

Cilly Aussem is 26. She reached the peak of her career in 1931, when she won the Wimbledon, German, French and Hungarian singles championships.

She was ranked No. 2 in the world's "first ten" in both 1930 and 1931. In 1932, however, she underwent an operation for appendicitis, and she has not reached her best form since.

## INTER-LEAGUE SOCCER

### IRISH PLAYERS DEFEATED

## SCOTLAND WINS IN BELFAST

London, Oct. 23.

In an inter-league football match in Belfast today, the Irish League lost to the Scottish League by the odd goal in five.—*Reuter*.

## TOMMY LOUGHRAN IN ENGLAND

### REFUSES TO FIGHT LARRY GAINS

Tommy Loughran, the ex-cruiser-weight champion of the world, arrived from America recently. Born at Philadelphia 32 years ago, he has an engagement to appear at Wembley. His opponent will be selected from Len Harvey, Ben Focner, Eddie Venstob, Ambrose Palmer (Australia), and Maurice Strickland (New Zealand).

Larry Gains, the coloured Canadian heavy-weight, has challenged Tommy Loughran to a fight in private for £500 a-side. Loughran, who throughout his boxing career has always drawn the coloured line where his opponents are concerned, has refused.

66/1	Joshua (t and o)
66/1	Moldoro (o)
100/1	Moldoro (t)
80/1	Flake (t and o)
80/1	William of Valance (t and o)
80/1	Man's Pal (t and o)
100/1	The remainder of the field.

—*Reuter*.

## AQUATIC WIN

### ENGLAND BEATS WALES AND SCOTLAND

### RECORDS BROKEN & EQUALLED

(By W. J. HOWCROFT)

London, Sept. 30.

England, at full strength, beat Scotland and Wales in the Inter-Country speed swimming contest at Newport on Saturday, the final tally being: England 35 points, Scotland 20 points, and Wales 14 points.

The Leicester girl, Vera Kingston, broke her own British native record when she outclassed the opposition in the 200 yards breast-stroke in 2min. 52.3-sec. This was one second faster than her record performance when she won the National Championship at Blackpool. She swam with surprising dash, to turn at half distance in 79.3-sec.

The Beckenham youth, Remond Gabrielsen, equalled the British 100 yards record of 54.2-sec. when he defeated the Scot, George Anderson, and S. H. Capon, of Cardiff, after a thrilling race. Gabrielsen led Anderson by six inches when they turned at 50 yards in 24-sec. Down the third length Anderson held on grimly, but on the last 25 yards Gabrielsen was the master, and he finished two clear yards in front of Anderson, with Capon a similar distance away in third place.

Gabrielsen has now established himself as the fastest British sprinter of all time, no matter what the conditions—open water or covered bath. The women's sprint champion, Mrs. Olive Wadham, failed to reproduce her best form in the 100 yards event. This, I think, was largely due to faulty turns and, perhaps, the weakness of the opposition.

#### MISS BARTLE'S VICTORY

I am confident that Mrs. Wadham can do better than 65.4-sec., the figure she returned at Newport. On the other hand, Olive Bartle, the English reserve, excelled herself, and certainly surprised the selectors, when she took the "reserves" 100 yards race in 64.4-sec.

Phyllis Harding gave her customary display of good style and superb judgment when she won the 150 yards back-stroke in 1min. 55.4-sec. from Jean Greenland, Wales, and Margaret Hamilton, Scotland. The latter, who was placed second in the British Empire back-stroke, was expected to press Miss Harding, but as the race went, Miss Greenland upset all calculations when she just got up in the last 5 yards to take second place. This 16-year-old Welsh girl made a big impression. She is, I believe, the most promising junior in the country, and it is only a matter of specialisation and concentration to bring her into the Olympic team next year.

## TENNIS EXHIBITION ARRANGED

### FRENCHMAN DUE TO-MORROW

#### WEEK-END VISIT TO CANTON

(By "Sagax")

Arrangements are now all but completed for the appearance in Hongkong of Henri Cochet in a series of exhibition lawn tennis matches which are to be staged on the Kowloon Cricket Club's Ground early next week.

It is not yet known what matches are to be played as final arrangements are in the hands of the famous tennis player himself who arrives in the Colony tomorrow by the President McKinley.

Cochet is said to be bringing F. Aragon, the Filipino professional with him while it is expected that he also has a third player coming from Manila. R. Canavaro, the Shanghai professional, is already in the Colony and is to participate in the exhibition matches with Cochet's troupe in China.

It is understood that on Saturday and Sunday the players will give exhibitions in Canton and they will make their first appearance in the Colony on Monday, at the Kowloon Cricket Club. They will play here on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons as well.

During his stay in the Colony Cochet will conduct private classes for local enthusiasts.

H. G. Bentley, the English international, won the Prince of Wales' Cup at Prince's, Sandwick, recently, with an aggregate of 301, his scores being 77, 73, 73, 78. His nearest rival was R. H. Oppenheimer, six shots behind. Lister Hartley, well placed at the end of the third round, took 86 in the last round.

The men's 200-yards-breast-stroke furnished the race of the evening, when the two old rivals, Norman Hamilton and Arthur Summers, met. Summers took a yard lead at the dive. He held on until the last turn, when Hamilton drew level. They then swam stroke for stroke until the last five yards, when Hamilton made a final effort which put him a foot in front. Hamilton has been playing polo regularly, and his stroke has suffered in consequence, whereas Summers has improved his stroke noticeably within the last two months.

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### LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

#### LATEST SHARE QUOTATIONS

The following quotations on the London Stock Exchange have been received by Messrs. Swan, Culbertson and Fritz in conjunction with Reuters, Oct. 22, Oct. 23.

British Government Securities

War Loan 3½% redm. after 1952 £104½ £105½

#### Chinese Bonds

4½% Bonds 1898 £101½ £101½

4½% Loan 1908 £99½ £99½

5% Loan 1912 £77½ £77½

5% Reorg. Loan 1913 £91½ £91½

5% Bonds 1925-47 £86½ £86½

5% Shai-Nanking Rly. £69½ £69½

5% Tient-Pukow Rly. £22 £22

5% Tient-Pukow Railway (Supl. Loan) £23½ £23½

5% Honan Rly. £25 £25

5% Hukwang Rly. 1911 £38 £38

5% Lung Tsing U. Hal Rly. 1913 £11½ £11½

Foreign Bonds and Banks

German 7½% Int. Loan 1924 £57 £57½

Japan 5% Sterling Loan 1907 £82½ £83½

Japan 5% Sterling Loan 1924 £93½ £94½

H.K. & Shai Bk. (Ldn. Regd.) £106½ £106½

Chartered Bk. of I.A. & C. £13½ £13½

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Allied Iron Founders 37/3 37/3

Associated Elec. Industries 34/6 35/-

Austin Motors ord. 42/0 42/3

Boots 5/- sh. 47/6 48/3

British-American Tobacco (bearer) 113/0 115/-

Canadian Celanese Chinese Eng. and 95/- 93/9

Min. (bearer) 10/6 11/-

Courtauld's 63/6 63/9

Distillers 92/- 92/9

Dunlop Rubber 36/- 36/10½

Electric Musical Industries 24/4½ 25/0

General Electric (England) 52/6 52/6

Hawker Aircraft 30/9 30/9

Industries 35/6 35/9

O.K. Bazaars 35/- 35/7½

Impl. Tobacco 138/9 140/-

Rolls Royce £1 152/6 153/1½

Shai Elec. Constr. 44/- 44/-

Tate & Lyle 83/- 85/-

Turner & Newall 57/3 57/3

United Steel 31/6 31/7½

Vickers ord. 18/- 17/9

Watney, Combe & Reid ord. 71/- 71/6

Woolworths 109/6 110/9

#### Miscellaneous

Anglo-Dutch 24/3 25/-

Gula Kalumpung 22/- 22/3

Rubber 22/- 22/3

Pekin Synd. 2/- 1/-

Rubber Trusts 29/9 30/7½

#### Mines

Burma Corp. Rs. 11/9 11/9

Commonwealth 11/1½ 11/1½

Randfontein Estates 51/6 52/0

Sparrowwater Gold Mining 7/3 7/3

Springs Mines 41/3 41/10½

Sub-Niger 248/9 251/3

Rhodana Corp. 101/3 101/3

### NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

#### MARKET UPWARD YESTERDAY

New York, Oct. 23. The following reports on the New York Stock Market have been received through Messrs. Swan, Culbertson and Fritz:

The Wall Street Journal Report on yesterday's markets:—Stocks to-day were higher, led by automobile shares. The industrial average has reached a new high level for the period since 1931. Oil shares were strong. Railroads withstood a reorganization petition by the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad. Stocks on the curb exchange were irregularly higher, while the bonds market ruled strong.

S. C. and F. New York Office Cable:—Stocks were in renewed demand and traders are bullish. The September quarter earnings of the Phillips Petroleum Company were \$1.10 per share as against 41 cents per share for the same quarter of last year. The Packard Motor Company showed a profit of 3 cents per share in the September quarter as against a loss last year. McIntyre Purcypine showed a profit of \$1.15 per share for the same quarter as against a profit of \$1.20 for the same period last year. The New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad has filed a petition for reorganization, after a loan had been denied. New York and Chicago commodity reports received through Messrs. Swan, Culbertson and Fritz:

Cotton: There was a broadening demand on a forecast of heavy frost in the South-West. Hedge selling in declining. There was an active demand for spots and the spot basis is unyielding.

Wheat: Export figures are small and the Canadian surplus is increasing. The Argentine crop outlook is improving. There is at present a general lack of interest on this market.

Corn: Further rains in the Central Belt and December short-covering will probably strengthen near positions, but we doubt if there will be any material advance in price.

Rubber: There has been broad activity on the rubber market on the part of dealers and commission-houses. The restriction meeting has been postponed until November 26th, as there is no necessity to hold it sooner. Prices at present look higher.

Special:—Average daily petroleum production for the week ending October 19th, was estimated at 2,783,000 barrels, as against 2,782,000 barrels the previous week. The Edison Electric Institute estimates weekly electricity production at 1,803,000,000 k.w.h., which is an increase of 11.7 per cent over the corresponding period of last year.

#### REUTER QUOTATIONS

Dow Jones Averages Oct. 22, Oct. 23.

30 Industrials 138.77 139.58

20 Rails 34.50 34.72

20 Utilities 27.06 26.82

40 Bonds 95.00 96.06

11 Commodity Index 56.57 56.79

#### Oils

Anglo-Persian 63/9 64/4½

Burma Oil 76/10½ 76/10½

Shell Trans and 76/3 76/3

Trad. (bearer) 76/3 76/3

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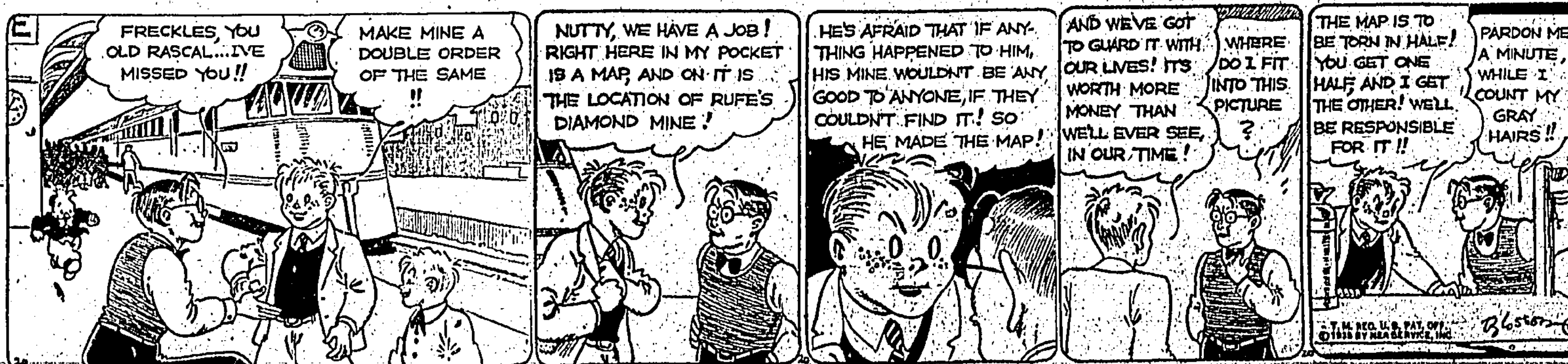
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## CENTRAL BRITISH SCHOOL

MASTER'S APPEAL TO PARENTS

### CO-OPERATION REQUESTED

An appeal for co-operation between parents and teachers was made by the Rev. G. E. S. Updell, Headmaster of the Central British School, at the annual prize-giving ceremony, which was performed by Lady MacGregor this morning. Mr. Updell stressed particularly the harmful effects caused by failure of pupils to do home work or to be irregular in attendance, both of which militate against the progress of the student and cause inefficiency in school.

Presenting his annual report, Mr. Updell said:—Lady MacGregor, ladies, and gentlemen.—It gives me much pleasure to present the report for this school, at what will probably be our last prize-giving, before moving to our new home; and in doing so it will not be out of place to review in general the work which has grown to such large proportions during the thirty-three years of our existence. It has to be remembered that education is the training of the child for the community, and in this, those who have been in charge of the school have been highly successful. We find past pupils occupying positions of importance, trust, and influence in many parts of the world, and almost without exception they command respect, and have put into practice the ideals and principles which have been placed before them here. Merely to pass examinations does not mean necessarily that the child is educated—there can be a great difference between a scholar and an educated man; there are other questions such as character training and ability to fit into the community's life which are parts of real education. All the children of this school are required to throw themselves into the games, physical training, and other sections of our corporate life which, combined together, go to make up education.

We note that when public bodies or private firms ask for a leaving certificate, they not only ask for examination results, but for precise statements as to the manner in which a child enters into sports and general activities of the school life, upon which "great reliance is placed" to quote a letter received recently from a large public body. We therefore appeal to parents to see that nothing is allowed to interfere with the education of the child either in games or homework, otherwise it is impossible for the child to take full advantage of the excellent facilities offered.

### HANDICAPPING TEACHER

A child who does not do the evening's homework, which is moderate compared with the amount of homework set in the leading schools at home, cannot enter fully into the subsequent lessons, and not only becomes backward himself but retards the other children in the class. It is extraordinary the number of excuses which are made for inattention at school or failure to do the homework, both of which militate against the progress of the individual, and cause inefficiency in a class resulting in greatly handicapping the efforts of the teachers concerned. We trust that all parents will give us their full co-operation in these matters.

That our standards are high is clear from the reports we receive concerning children who have passed on for further education at home. Thus Joy Booker, who went home from the school last year, has passed her Cambridge Leaving Certificate with distinctions in English and History, obtaining credits in Mathematics, Geography, and Biology, and a pass in French; she was a normal scholar and is indicative of the general standard of work throughout the school.

The Hongkong School Leaving Certificate was obtained this year by Pryde, Baxter, Burn, and Gregory; the three former obtaining distinctions in English, and it is interesting to note that they have made a good showing in sports, which indicates a well-balanced education.

Our cricket eleven had a varied and extensive fixture list under the captaincy of R. Holden, ably supported by Baxter, and the team proved themselves to be a credit to the school, only being beaten in the inter-school matches by the Diocesan "Boys' School" who this year have a much more experienced side. House matches were played regularly throughout the season: Chocolate House first XI, generally maintaining its supremacy; generally these Saturday morning house matches have provided really thrilling and entertaining cricket. The football has not been quite so successful, but the inter-house matches have produced much promising material. Swimming and

## TERMINUS AT MACAO

PACIFIC AIR LINE DECISION

Shanghai, Oct. 24. The Shun Pao, a Chinese newspaper, says that its correspondent in Nanking has been informed in Government circles that the Pan-American Airways Company has reached an agreement with Macao authorities for the establishment of a permanent Far Eastern terminus there.—Reuter.

hockey have been enjoyed by nearly the whole school, and the splendid sporting spirit of the girls' hockey eleven even evoked praise in the local press.

### LIBRARY INADEQUATE

The social Union has been very active throughout the year, the visit to Canton by many of the senior children being very instructive and interesting. The library too is extensively used by the whole school, and the accommodation provided is totally inadequate for the number of children who use it. The books are mostly provided by the children themselves, and it is astonishing to note the wide reading of many of them; it must be gratifying to those members of the Staff who spend so much of their spare time to help the children in this way.

The outstanding event of the year was the laying of the foundation stone of the new school in May by H. E. the Governor, Sir William Peel. Splendid work has been done in the past under very trying conditions, and we look forward to the children taking full advantage of the excellent facilities now within their reach. I am sure I have the full support of the parents and children in expressing my appreciation to the Staff for their unceasing labours on behalf of the school, especially to Mr. Rowell who so ably carried on under very difficult circumstances. A change of Headmasters is bound to affect a school of this nature, and the subsequent illness of one of them threw an extra burden on the staff who responded so splendidly at this critical time.

I should like to take this opportunity of thanking the Chairman and Committee of St. Andrew's Society for the J. R. M. Smith scholarship; the Manager of the Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Company for the two Annual Scholarships; Lt. Colonel Dowbiggin, O.B.E., for his annual history prizes; Mr. Ezra Abraham for the Ezra Abraham Scholarship; and to the Rev. Mr. Higgs for the use of this hall. We are pleased to have the honour of welcoming Lady MacGregor who has so kindly come to give away the prizes and certificates this morning. The school can be not in evidence to-day, but we hope she will assure Sir Atholl MacGregor that justice is dispensed when necessary.

### LADY MACGREGOR'S SPEECH

Following the distribution of the prizes, Lady MacGregor said: "I am very glad that I was asked to give away the prizes this morning. I am sure we have all enjoyed this ceremony very much. I want to congratulate Mr. Updell and his staff for all the work they have done during this last year, and also the pupils for their ability, brightness and hard work, and the winners for winning all these prizes. I am sure you will all be very pleased when the new school is opened and when in your new home, I hope you will win more prizes and do far more than in the past year."

In thanking Lady MacGregor for so kindly presenting the prizes, Mr. A. O. Brown, Inspector of English Schools, said:

"I am sorry the Director of Education is unable to be present to-day. This is not the first time that Lady MacGregor has helped us with prize distributions. Some months ago, she gave away the prizes at the Peak School Sports and a few weeks ago, she gave away the prizes at the Quarry Bay School and at the Bellios Public School for Girls. It seems to me that Lady MacGregor has been extremely useful to us. (Laughter). I would like to take this opportunity of recording my appreciation and the appreciation of many others of the work done by the staff of this school. The examination results have not always been very flattering, but, I think, a general training of children is more important than cramming for examinations.

"The Staff of this school work under extraordinary difficulties such as the nomadic movements of the children (the parents are continually being transferred from place to place or else they are going on leave). Another difficulty is that the climate of Hongkong (such as it is to-day and has been for six months preceding it) is not conducive to extensive study, especially to children who belong to cooler parts of the world. Still another difficulty is the premises in which you have all been working. They have been almost intolerable. I never realised this

## NEWHAVEN RAILROAD PETITION

REORGANISING IN BANKRUPTCY

### CONTINUING DEFICITS

(Special to "Telegraph")

New York, Oct. 23. Following yesterday's refusal of the Inter-State Commerce Commission to approve the New Haven, Hartford Railway application for a \$5,000,000 loan from the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, the directors of the railroad met this morning and subsequently announced they were filing a petition to reorganise under the Bankruptcy Act.

The President, Mr. Howard S. Palmer, issued a statement explaining the action. He said they had decided upon this course reluctantly and only after the exhaustion of every possible means of meeting their obligations, but the continued low gross revenues and the exhaustion of the railroad's collateral, as well as the inability to obtain funds, made it imperative, and inevitable.

The move did not surprise Wall Street where the company's situation has long been known to be precarious. The company was faced with the problem of finding \$5,000,000 to pay taxes due before the year's end, while it was estimated that the 1935 deficit would be \$5,000,000.

The indebtedness of the road is around \$283,000,000 and the book value of its assets \$594,000,000. Shortly before the announcement of the petition the company's bonds dropped seriously, and then steadied.—Reuter Special.

until about six weeks ago, during the summer vacation, I paid a visit to the school. The caretaker threw open classrooms that had been shut up for three weeks. When I stepped into the first room, I nearly collapsed (Laughter). The atmosphere was that of an oven. Since then, I have felt more sympathetic to you.

"In expressing my appreciation (and I think I can say the appreciation of 99 per cent. of Hongkong) of the work of the staff, I would like to single out Mr. Rowell who works like a Trojan. He always has done, but he has done more this year. For the greater part of the year, he has done at least two men's work. When the Headmaster was ill, he was invaluable as he has also been lately in helping our Department and the architect in selecting and arranging the equipment for the new school.

### INTEREST IN SPORT

"Before closing, I must compliment the girls of this school on the interest they take in hockey, net-ball and other games. In connection with hockey, it has just occurred to me that a few days ago, your Miss Swift came to me and stung me for a cup for one of your competitions. I think it is for the Second Division of Hockey League. I hope this school will win the cup. I would also like to compliment the boys on their achievements in the playing field" (Applause).

At the conclusion of Mr. Brown's speech, little Jean Hale presented Lady MacGregor with a beautiful sheaf of yellow gladioli. Lady MacGregor suggested that the pupils might have a holiday and Mr. Updell announced that there would be no home-work that evening. This was greeted with applause.

### PRIZE LIST

The prize list was as follows: J. R. M. Smith Scholarship—Ian Kepton. Government Scholarships—Form 5, Peter Simon; Form 4, Mavis Borne; Form 3, Jenny Felslow; Form 2, Mona Shand; Form 1, Eleanor Lewer; Form LI, George Scott. Lugard Scholarship—1935: Merlyn Grant.

Dock Company Scholarships—1, Margaret Bell; 2, Ian Kepton. Ezra Abraham Scholarship—Walter Kennedy Pryde. Class Prizes—Form 5, Kathleen Hopkins; Form 4, Donald Street; Form 3, Marion Hill; Form 2, Phyllis Kirby; Form LI, Fleming Kinnaird; Form LI, Jim Lindsay.

Special Prizes—War Memorial Prize, Walter Kennedy Pryde; Dowbiggin History Prizes, Peter Watson and Fleming Kinnaird; English Composition, Patrick Burn; Drawing (presented by Miss Hall), John Guard, George Kinnaird and Eleanor Lower; French (presented by Miss Henp), Peter Combes; Progress in Mathematics (presented by Mr. Mulcahy), Kathleen Hopkins; Geography (presented by Mr. Rowell), Ronald Holden; Montargis French Prize, Walter Kennedy Pryde.

Passes in the Hongkong University School Certificate Examination—Walter Kennedy Pryde (Honours), Kenneth Baxter, Patrick Burn and Leslie Gregory.

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## THIEF SENT TO GAOL

### ADMITS THREE CHARGES

Yu Wing, 27, unemployed, appeared before Mr. Macfarlan at the Central Magistrate's this morning charged with (a) the theft of an aluminium spectacle case containing a pair of spectacles; (b) loitering in Connaught Road Central without being able to give a satisfactory account of himself; (c) possession of two knives, a piece of wire, six keys, one spanner and one button hook. Defend-

ant pleaded guilty to all three charges.

Det-Sgt. Cashman said that at about 5.25 a.m. on October 22 defendant was seen walking to and fro in Connaught Road outside Wing On Company store. A detective watched him for 20 minutes and then went up to him and searched him, finding the articles on him. Asked what he was doing, defendant said he was waiting for a friend, but he could not give the address of this friend. Brought to the station defendant admitted all three charges.

On charge (a) defendant was sentenced to two months' hard labour, on charge (b) he was fined \$50, or two months' hard labour, and on charge (c) he was fined \$25, or one month's hard labour.